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Arrivals.

Mch. 6, MALACCA, Brit str., 1,790, Bernard, Shanghai 3rd March, Silk and Treasure.—P. & O. Co.

Mch. 6, LOUISA, Dan. bk., 225, Hansen, Whampoa 5th March, General (for Tientsin.)—Sp. SCHEELHASE & Co.

Mch. 7, GEORG BECKER, North Ger. bk., 266, Bencke, Bergen 13th September, Fish, Glass, Lead and Sundries.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Mch. 7, PRINCE ALBERT, Brit. str., 104, Milsom, Put back (from Swatow.)—ACHEONG.

Mch. 7, SIR J. JEJEEBHOY, Brit str., 101, Dawson, Put back (from Swatow.)—ACHEONG.

Mch. 7, AMARANTH, North German bk., 400, Fabucius, Callao 11th Dec., Guano.—MELCHERS & Co.

Mch. 7, ZIMA, Brit. bk., 513, Bowes, London, 11th November, General.—D. LAPRAIK & Co.

Mch. 7, MADURA, North Ger. bk., 257, Steffens, Whampoa 6th March, General (for Canton).—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Mch. 7, CLAN ALPINE, Brit. str., 946, Hutchison, Calcutta 20th February, Penang 26th, and Singapore 28th, Opium and Sundries.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Mch. 7, YESSO, Brit. str., 625, Ashforth, Foochow 4th March, Amoy 5th and Swatow 6th, General.—D. LAPRAIK & Co.

Mch. 7, PATINO, Span. str., 1,000, Garcia, Manila 4th March, Mails and Passengers.—SPANISH CONSUL.

Mch. 7, W. C. RUSSELL, Brit. sh., 1,243, Jowett, Shanghai 27th February, Ballast.—ORDER.

Departures.

Mch. 6, ACHILLES, str., for Shanghai.
Mch. 6, DUPLEIX, str., for Yokohama.
Mch. 6, PHASE, str., for Shanghai.
Mch. 6, VULCAN, str., for Yokohama.
Mch. 6, DARE, for Prince Shoal.
Mch. 6, SOLENT, for Manila.
Mch. 6, SIR J. JEJEEBHOY, str., for Swatow.
Mch. 5, PRINCE ALBERT, str., for Swatow.
Mch. 7, PATINO, str., for Whampoa.
Mch. 7, MINERVA, str., for Cagayan.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, MARCH 8TH.

Minerva, for Cagayan.
Gazelle, for Newchwang.
Batavia, for Whampoa.
Belled With, for Yokohama.
Sir J. Jeejeebhoy, str., for Swatow.
Prince Albert, str., for Swatow.

Passengers.

Per *Clan Alpine*, str., from Calcutta, &c.,—Mr. Sapejee, Dr. Wise, and 80 Chinese.

Per *Yesso*, str., from East Coast.—Misses Wolston (2) Messrs. Wardlaw, Dunn, Walkins Anderson, Angier (*London and China Express*) Schuverer, 1 first-class deck, and 90 Chinese.

Per *Balaeza*, str., from Shanghai.—Early Parkes, 3 children and European female servant, Messrs. Satow, Walsh, Capt. Thompson and servant, Messrs. C. D. Lord, E. Norton, G. Wallace, Peele, Noguchi-Tomiso, Captain MacKellar, Messrs. J. Higgins, J. Cowlee, W. R. Dalziel, 1 European deck, and 38 Chinese.

Reports.

The Spanish steamer *Patino*, reports having had moderate monsoon and cloudy weather coming across from Manila.

The British steamer *Clan Alpine*, reports having fine weather and moderate winds in the Bay of Bengal, and latterly in the China sea fresh to strong monsoon.

The British steamer *Yesso*, from the East Coast, reports having had light southerly winds and foggy weather as far as Amoy, and from thence variable winds and thick weather. The S. S. *Douglas* was in Amoy, and the S. S. *Formosa* in Swatow when the *Yesso* left.

The North German bark *Georg Becker*, from Bergen, 13th September, reports having had rough weather in the North sea, and then calms in the Channel. Crossed the Equator on the 4th November, in long. 22 W. Passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on the 6th of December, in lat. 35.36 S. Had heavy Westerly winds in running down the Easting, passing (by reckoning) close to St. Paul's Island, but without seeing it. Entered Lombock Straits on the 20th January, and entered Bali's Passage on the 4th February, cleared Dampier Straits on the 15th February, and in the Pacific Ocean had N.E. winds. In the China sea had moderate to light monsoon to arrival; 174 days out. Spoke on the 14th February, in Dampier Straits, the American ship *Lorenzo*, from New York to Nagasaki; 125 days out.

The British bark *Zima*, from London, 11th November, reports having left Gravesend on the 10th November, and passed the Downs on the 11th November. Made the Island of Madiera on the 19th November, and crossed the Equator on the 4th December; 24 days out. Passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on the 28th December; 48 days out. In running down the Easting experienced strong gales from the Westward during which part of the bulwarks were carried away, but no other damage of consequence was done. Made St. Paul's Islandon the 12th January, and after having light winds and calms entered the Straits of Sunda on the 30th January. Passed Anjer on the 3rd February; 85 days out. Passed through the middle passage of the Gaspar Straits on the 6th February. Cleared the App Passage on the 14th February, and was off Pulo Sepatu on the 20th February. Arrived off the North Danger on the 24th February, and off Manila on the 27th February, here experienced light airs from the land and calms. Sighted Pratas Island on the 6th March, and had afterwards strong N.E. monsoon with cross sea to arrival; 117 days from the Downs, and 118 from the port of London. Spoke no vessels bound to China Ports. The *Zima* is the first vessel, this season which, bound to Hongkong, has come via the Straits of Sunda, the majority of vessels for China go by the Eastern Passage in February at which time the *Zima* came through Sunda.

THE CANTON STEAMER.—The steamer *Poyang* left Canton at 8.02 A.M., and arrived at Hongkong at 3.47 P.M. Reports having strong N.E. winds with rain coming down. The steamer *Kin-shan* at 12.17 P.M., below Lamcock, and the steamer *Spark* at 12.12 P.M. At 10.30 A.M., passed a hard bound down. Thermometer at Canton, 60 degrees. 2 saloon passengers.

Auction Sales To-day.

BOWRA & Co.
Household Furniture, &c.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.
Boats and Companies.

RAY & Co.
Sundry Articles.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the WANCHI STEAM BAKERY is removed to the Premises corner of *Wyndham street and Queen's-road*, opposite the Clock Tower.

All orders left at the above place, or sent to the Bakery at Wanchi, will receive prompt attention.

L. P. WARD.

1w 339 Hongkong, February 15th, 1869.

Banks.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS

Incorporated by National Decrees of 7th and 8th May, 1848, and by Imperial Decrees of 25th July, 1854, and 31st December, 1866.

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1852.

PAID-UP CAPITAL,—Francs 80,000,000,—£3,200,000.

RESERVED FUND,—Francs 20,000,000,—£800,000.

LONDON BANKERS—UNION BANK OF LONDON.

HEAD OFFICE: 14, RUE BERGERE, PARIS.
AGENCIES, AT LONDON, NAMPES, LYONS, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, SAIGON, SAINT DENIS, (ILE DE LA REUNION,) AND YOKOHAMA.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

THIS BANK issues Drafts on its Paris Head Office, on the UNION BANK OF LONDON, and on its Agencies in London, Bombay, Calcutta, Shanghai, Bourbon, Saigon, and Yokohama, and on the principal places of Commerce on the Continent of Europe, India, America, China, Australia, &c.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS are kept, upon which no Commission is charged, and no Interest allowed.

BILLS on Europe, India, America, Australia, &c., &c., are purchased or remitted for collection.

LOCAL BILLS discounted, and LOANS granted on Merchandize, &c., &c.

LETTERS OF CREDIT issued, available for the purchase of Merchandize in all parts of the World, on terms to be ascertained on application to the Manager.

E. DELBANCO,
Manager.

Offices in Hongkong:—BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, December, 1868. [790

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL..5,000,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors.

Chairman—GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—JULIUS MERZ, Esq.
George J. Holland, Esq. — *at Foochow*, Esq.
William Lanman, Esq. — J. F. Duncanson, Esq.
W. H. Forbes, Esq. — Richard Roberts, Esq.
S. D. Sassoon, Esq. — E. H. Bellisario, Esq.
Hombie J. S. Taylor.

Managers:—Hongkong—Victor Kresser, Esq., Chief Manager.
Shanghai—David McLean, Esq.

London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED:

On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months 2 per cent. per annum.
6 " 4 " "
12 " 5 " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

VICTOR KRESSER, *Chief Manager.*

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.

1 1062] Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 30th August, 1851.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.
RESERVED FUND, £444,000.

Court of Directors.

Harry George Gordon, Esq., Chairman.
George Arbuthnot, Esq.
James Blyth, Esq.
Duncan James Kay, Esq.
J. Binny Key, Esq.
Alexander Mackenzie, Esq.
Lestock Robert Reid, Esq.
James Walker, Esq.
Charles J. F. Stuart, Esq., Chief Manager.

Bankers.—The Bank of England.
The Union Bank of London.
Agents in Scotland.
National Bank of Scotland.
Commercial Bank of Scotland.
Agent in Edinburgh.
R. Dundas Clay,
23, St. Andrew's Square, Edinburgh.
Agents in Ireland.
Provincial Bank of Ireland.
The National Bank.

Head Office.
Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

Branches and Agencies.
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PONDICHERRY, KURRACHEE, COLOMBO, POINT DE GALLE, MAURITIUS, MELBOURNE, SYDNEY, SINGAPORE, FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

The Corporation receive Money on Deposit repayable on Demand, upon which no Interest is allowed. Current accounts are kept with Firms and Individuals, free of Commission.

Money is also received on Fixed Deposit, repayable at Twelve, Six, and Three Months' notice. Rates of interest may be known on application either at the office of the Corporation or by letter addressed to the Manager.

Notice of withdrawal may be given at the time of deposit.

The Corporation discount Bills and Notes payable in Hongkong, having at least two approved names unconnected in general partnership, and they advance upon Bullion and Merchandize, not of a perishable nature, in the custody of the Bank.

Exchange.

The Corporation grant Drafts on the Bank of England payable on demand, on the Union Bank of London at Four or Six Months' sight, and on the Head Office at shorter sight.

Circular Notes for the use of Travellers are issued, negotiable in all places of importance throughout the world.

Drafts are granted on the several Branches and Agencies of the Corporation, as above, at the Exchange of the day, and on the proper address being furnished will be forwarded direct to the Payees by the Corporation.

Bills payable in Europe or in any of the above places are purchased or remitted for collection.

Approved Bills payable in San Francisco are also purchased by the Corporation, and drafts granted, at rates of exchange equivalent to those ruling on London.—Bills of Exchange on San Francisco, or the Atlantic Ports, will likewise be remitted for collection, at the option of Constituents.

All cheques or orders to be made payable to "The Oriental Bank Corporation."

Information as to the rules of business may be had at the Office, or on application by letter to the Manager.

Office hours 10 to 3, Saturday 10 to 1.

JAMES BERWICK, *Acting Manager.*

249 Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, 1869-71.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Mr. JAMES KENNARD DAVIS has been appointed Agent at Hongkong, and is authorized to sign all Policies of Insurance, and generally to transact the business of the Company, on and after 1st January, 1869.

By order of the Court of Directors,
HERBERT S. MORRIS,
Secretary.

3m 2411 Shanghai, 19th December, 1868.

Banks.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.
CAPITAL PAID-UP £750,000.
With power to increase to £1,500,000.
Reserve Fund, £143,902 14s. 8d.

Head-Office—No. 65, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

George Garden Nicol, Esq.—*Chairman.*
Donald Larnach, Esq.
George May, Esq.
Sir Frederick J. Halliday.
James M. Robertson, Esq.
Ellis James Gilman, Esq.
David Trail Robertson, Esq.—*Chief-Manager.*

LONDON BANKERS.
Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank.

SOLICITORS.
Messrs. Clarke, Sons, & Rawlins, Coleman St.

AUDITORS.
Messrs. Coleman, Turquand, Youngs & Co.
Public Accountants.
J. Smith, Esq., of Messrs. W. Nicol & Co.

BOMBAY.
James Joseph Mackenzie, Esq., late of Messrs. Dent & Co., China.

Branches and Agencies:
Bombay.
Calcutta.
Madras.
Ceylon { Colombo. Kandy. Galle.
Singapore.
Penang.
Foochow.
Shanghai.
Yokohama.
Hankow.
Mauritius.
Saigon.
Batavia.

EDINBURGH DEPOSIT AGENCY, 128, George Street.
CHARLES PEARSON, Esq., C.A.—Agent.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Current deposits—Accounts are kept on which no interest is allowed and no charge made for collecting Bills, Cheques, &c.

Fixed deposits—Are received the:—
Repayable at 12 months .....6% per annum.
" at 6 " .....7% per annum.
" at 3 " .....8% per annum.

The Bank discounts Local Bills, and Notes payable in Hongkong having at least two approved names unconnected in general partnership, and makes advances on approved Banking Securities.

Exchange.

The Bank issues drafts on its London Office, and on the London Joint Stock Bank at four months' sight, also on its Branches above and Agencies in Scotland, Ireland, Melbourne, Sydney and Towns in Australia, New Zealand, &c., and grants Circular Notes for the use of travellers negotiable in all Towns of importance throughout the world.

Bills payable in Europe or in any of the above mentioned places are purchased or remitted for collection.

Further information as to the rules of business may be obtained at the office, or on application by letter to the Manager.

Office hours:—10 to 3, Saturday 10 to 1.

WILLIAM JACKSON, *Manager.*

3, Queen's Road, 24th July, 1867.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the year ending on 31st December last, at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum, say $7.50 per paid-up Share of $125, and $1.50 per Share on which 20% have been paid, is payable on and after MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.

1f 358 Hongkong, 15th February, 1869.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the unpaid Capital of One Hundred Dollars per share, on the 20,000 New Shares of the Corporation's Stock, will fall due on the dates following, viz:—

On 1st July, 1869, ...$25
" 1st July, 1870, ... 25
" 1st January, 1872, ... 25
" 1st January, 1873, ... 25
$100

Shareholders electing to pay the whole or any portion of the above calls by anticipation, will receive interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, payable half yearly, until the respective dates at which the calls shall fall due, and receipts for such payments will be issued at the Head Office and Branches.

By order of the Court of Directors.
VICTOR KRESSER,
Chief Manager.

1f 447 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

TO LET.

With Possession on the 1st May Next.

THOSE very desirable Business Premises, situated in the *Queen's Road*, and extending to the Praya, at present occupied by Messrs. BOWRA & Co.

This property can be divided into three portions—that at the Praya is detached, and contains extensive Godowns on the ground and middle floors, with private residence on the upper floor, and separate entrance thereto.

The portion abutting on the *Queen's Road*, from its very central position, is admirably adapted for a Shop or Store, having Godowns on the basement floor, and Dwelling Apartments on the upper floor.

The central portion consist of two Blocks of Buildings, each two storied, and suitable for Offices and Godowns.

For Particulars, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

1f 426 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg to notify their intention of retiring from business, and offer the whole of their valuable stock at rates to secure an immediate sale.

The Stock consists of every description of Shipchandlery GOODS, IRONMONGERY and Building MATERIALS, WINES, BEER, SPIRITS and Family STORES, Electro-plated WARE in great variety, DRUGGETS, MATS, GLASS WARE, Dish COVERS, LEDGERS, JOURNALS, Day and Cash BOOKS, Breech-Loading RIFLES, PISTOLS, CARTRIDGES, Sporting SHOT, Gas CHANDELIERS and BRACKETS, &c., &c.; Oil CHANDELIERS, 1, 2, 3, and 4 burners; Pedcock's COMPOSITION and PAINTS of all kinds.

And,

Chubb's FIRE PROOF SAFES as under, 4ft. high, 3 ft. 3in. wide, 2 ft. 1in. deep; 3 ft. 4in. high, 3 ft. 1in. wide, 2 ft. deep; and several of smaller sizes. Chubb's patent PAD, DESK, COMBINATION, DRAWER, BOX, and other kinds, and Chubb's CASH, DEED, and PAPER BOXES.

A large assortment of Reading BOOKS &c., &c., &c.

Must all be cleared by 31st March, (see advertisement above.)

BOWRA & Co.

1d 446 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

IF the Package left some years back at the Store of the Undersigned, addressed JOSEPH CUMMS, Esq., is not claimed within fourteen days from the date hereof, it and the contents will be sold to defray expenses.

BOWRA & Co.

1d 395 Hongkong, 22nd February, 1869.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BOWRA & Co.

WILL sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms,

THIS DAY,

the 8th March, 1869, at 11 o'clock A.M.—HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Valuable BOOKS, an assortment of JEWELLERY, Gold and Silver WATCHES, CHAINS, RINGS, BROOCHES, CHRONOMETERS, CHARTS, PICTURES, FLANNELS, Sedan CHAIRS, Choice WINES, CLARETS, CHAMPAGNE.

Also,

The EFFECTS of the late APIT, consisting of Wearing APPAREL, a PIANO-FORTE, GLASS and CROCKERY.

&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

467 Hongkong, 5th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions from the Consul of Hamburg, to sell by Public Auction,

THIS DAY,

the 8th March, 1869, at 11 o'clock A.M.,
At the Wharf of Messrs. Siemssen & Co.,
(For account of the concerned).

2 BOATS, with SAILS, &c., &c.

And,

2 COMPASSES.

Saved from the "Wrecked" Hamburg barque "*Madera*."

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

470 Hongkong, 6th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

RAY & Co. will sell by Public Auction,

THIS DAY,

the 8th March, 1869, at Noon,
At their Sales Room, Queen's Road.—An Invoice of PERFUMERY, in Handsome Cut Bottles.

1 Cases Fancy Colored FLANNELS.
100 Dozen do. Woollen SOCKS.
100 " Lead PENCILS.
150 " Pocket and Memorandum BOOKS.
75 " Men's BRACES.
350 " Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS.
5 Pieces White FLANNEL.
450 Dozen Paper COLLARS.
20 " Paragon Silk UMBRELLAS, 8 and 12 Ribs.
10 Bales BLANKETS.
Foolscap and Note PAPER, LEDGERS, JOURNALS, Day and Cash BOOKS, &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

475 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Mortgagee to sell by Public Auction,

TO MORROW,

the 9th March, 1869, at 4 P.M.,
on the Spot,

All that piece or parcel of GROUND, Registered in the land office as the remaining portion of Inland Lot No. 348, and Section C and D of Inland Lot No. 362, situated on Mosque Junction, with the two Dwelling Houses erected thereon, to be sold in one Lot, or each of the houses separately, with the parcel of ground on which each house stands.

Terms and conditions of Sale will be made known on the spot at the time of Sale.

For further particulars, apply to

H. N. MODY,
Auctioneer.

471 Hongkong, 26th February, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (if not previously disposed of by private contract), at their Sales Rooms, *Queen's Road,*

TO-MORROW,

the 8th inst., at 4.30 P.M.,

Captain Hallowes' GREY ARAB, (an excellent lady's Horse).

Also,

The Indian Racing Pony "LIBRATON," A Brown Burmah PONY, quiet to drive.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors in description, at purchasers' risk on fall of the hammer.

473 Hongkong, 6th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell, by Public Auction, on their Store Premises, *Queen's Road and Praya*, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 10th instant, at 3 P.M.,

A choice Selection JAPANESE WARE, consisting of CABINETS, Glove BOXES, FANS, JARS and VASES, Fishing RODS, Cigar CASES, Ivory BUTTONS, Bamboo CHAIRS, PARASOLS, PIPES, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

475 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Property at Foochow, known as DEBE & Co.'s, will be offered for sale by Public Auction in June next, unless previously disposed of by Private Contract.

The Property consists of DWELLING HOUSE, containing 8 Rooms and Bath Rooms, with Servants' Offices and Stables detached, the whole surrounded by a Garden.

This House is let on a short Lease at $150 per month.

OFFICE AND GODOWNS.

A House containing 4 Offices and spacious Tea Room, with fire-proof Godowns, large Treasury, and Compradore's Rooms below, Servants' Offices, &c., detached.

Three large GODOWNS A, B, and C, adjoining the above.

This Property has water frontage, is situated in the most eligible portion of the business quarter of Foochow, and is let on a Rent-roll Lease for 5 years, commencing from the 1st May next, at the annual rental of $4,500.

For further particulars apply at the Office of the Trustees, No. 7, *Pedder's Hill.*

5m 253 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1869.

Per "SHAKESPEARE" and "NIGER."

MÜLLER & CLAUSSEN have just received a new assortment of goods for the present season, comprising:—

Black and Blue BROAD CLOTHS and DOESKINS.

Fancy TWEEDS, ANGOLAS, DOESKINS, and FLANNELS,
in suit lengths (shrunk).

The Tailoring Department being under the supervision of an EUROPEAN CUTTER. Gentlemen can rely upon obtaining a perfect fit.

Long Cloth and Crimean SHIRTS.
Cotton, Merino, and Silk UNDER VESTS and DRAWERS.
Cotton, Merino, and Lisle Thread SOCKS and STOCKINGS.

Linen and Paper COLLARS, in great variety.
SCARFS, NECKTIES, and Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS.

Christy's Black Felt and Felt HATS.
Christy's Dish Shell and Felt HATS.
Boy's Felt HATS and CAPS.

Dawson's BOOTS and SHOES.

Damask Table CLOTHS and NAPKINS.
A splendid assortment of Gossell's PERFUMERY, SOAP, HAIR BRUSHES, &c.

MÜLLER & CLAUSSEN,
10, *Queen's Road.*

144 477 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

AVIS.

Kong, 20 Janvier, 1869.

TOUTE personne débitrice de la succession de JULES THEODORE VIAULT, ex Vice-Consul de France de ce port, est invitée à payer immédiatement le montant de sa dette chez Monsieur PAUL HEINEMANN, agissant en son nom de Vice-Consulat de France, et toute personne créancière de cette succession devra présenter ses titres de créance à cette même personne dans le plus bref délai.

Le Vice-Consul de France,
F. J. LEQUES.

TRANSLATION.

ALL persons indebted to the Estate of JULES THEODORE VIAULT, late Vice-Consul of France at this port, are requested to make immediate payment to Mr. PAUL HEINEMANN, acting on behalf of the Vice-Consulate of France; and all persons having claims against the said Estate, must present the same without delay. [1w 404

NOTICE.

THE undersigned being about to leave the Colony, request that all persons indebted to them will make immediate payment of same, and all persons having claims against them will present them for settlement by 31st March, 1869.

FRED. M. HARSANT.
GEORGE A. F. NORRIS.

436 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. Tennent, Glasgow, and Messrs. David Corsar & Sons Arbroath.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

1f 418 Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

MEDICAL.—A Gentleman, aged 33, M.D. and F.R.C.S., now Conducting a Practice in *London Twice* of 3,000 a year in the East, is anxious for a similar engagement next June. Terms, £1,000 per annum with board. Address, D. M., *Daily Press* Office.

1f 2109 Hongkong, 24th November, 1868.

FOR SALE.

BATO'S Japanese VIEWS and COSTUMES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

1f 1614 Hongkong, 27th August, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the Agency of P. M. S. S. Company is REMOVED to *Praya West*, next door below HARBOUR MASTER'S Office.

GEO. F. BOWMAN,
Agent.

1f 2494 Hongkong, 29th October, 1867.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

A. WHEELER begs to announce to his patrons and the public generally, that he has removed to No. 26, *Queen's Road Central*, opposite LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, where he hopes by attention to business to receive a continuance of their patronage.

1f 24 Hongkong, 4th January, 1869.

TO BE LET, OR FOR SALE.

AT Macao, that most desirable Bungalow, known as No. 1, *Calcada do Sem Francisco*, containing 2 Bedrooms, Dining-room, Parlor, Bathroom, W.C., and Pantry. Cook-house, Servants' offices detached. Coach-house and Stable, with a small Garden. Government ground rental of $8 per annum (*Eight Dollars*).

For particulars, &c., and inspection of plan and title deeds, Apply to J. J. FRANCIS, Esq., Club Chambers, Hongkong, or to J. R. WHITE & Co., Auctioneers, Macao.

1f 125 Macao 15th January, 1869.

KILUNG COAL COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to supply Steamers and Vessels with the best FORMOSA COAL at current rates, or to deliver the same under contract at any port in China.

The company having always a large quantity in store, vessels will not be subjected to any unnecessary delay.

DODD & Co.,
Agents.

1f 261 Kilung, 6th January, 1868.

FORMOSA COAL DEPOT AT KILUNG.

HAS on hand a large stock of Coal of *best quality*, and is prepared to supply Steamers and Sailing vessels with quick dispatch at Current rates, or deliver the same under Contract at Hongkong, and any Treaty port in China.

The Depôt, drawing supplies from the best mines only, intends to provide a superior article, *free of the Surface Coal*, that has hitherto prejudiced Consumers.

MILISCH & Co.,
Agents.

1f 835 Kilung, 2nd May, 1868.

Intimations.

THE Committee of the Chamber of Commerce beg to invite all those interested in the question of opening additional Ports on the Coast of China, to a *Meeting* to be held on THURSDAY, the 11th instant, at the rooms of the Chamber, at 3 P.M., when the reply proposed to be sent to H. E. Sir R. ALCOCK's despatch to Mr. Consul BENDER, will be laid upon the table for discussion.

Printed copies of said letter can be had on application to the Secretary at Club Chambers, on and after this date.

By order,
J. W. WOOD,
Secretary.

9d 463 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Fortnightly Market Circulars published by the Chamber, will in future be delivered daily from the office of the undersigned from 10 A.M. of the morning preceding the steamer's departure. The Circulars are at the disposal of non-*Members*, on application to the Secretary, who will furnish particulars of cost, &c.

By order,
J. W. WOOD,
Secretary.

Club Chambers,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869. 1f 437

THE Next General MEETING of the members of the Morrison Education Society, will be held in the LONDON MISSION HOUSE, on the 30th March, at 3 P.M.

D. B. MORRIS,
Secretary.

304 438 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the fifth Call is payable in two instalments of $100 each, say:—

On 31st MARCH and 30th JUNE next,

at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum will be charged after the above dates.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN INGLIS,
Acting Secretary.

1f 359 Hongkong, 16th February, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

MR. ROBERT S. WALKER has this day been appointed Secretary, to the Company, and Mr. JOHN INGLIS, the present Acting Secretary, resumes his functions as managing Engineer for the Company.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN INGLIS,
Acting Secretary.

1f 457 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DENT & CO.

A SECOND Dividend of Five per centum upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 15th May next.

On application to Mr. G. OVERBECK, at the office of the Trustees, No. 7, *Pedder's Hill*, credit-lists will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees, which will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

5m 448 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DENT & Co.

A FIRST Dividend of Ten per centum, upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 1st of January next.

On application to the undersigned, at the office of the Trustees, *Pedder's Hill*, Creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees, which will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

By order of the Trustees,
E. WHEELER,
Secretary.

1f 2382 Hongkong, 30th November, 1868.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that, the Ninth call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above-named Company is due on the 1st June next, and will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GEORGE R. MINTO,
Secretary.

1f 442 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.—On and after the 1st of March next, the office of this Company situated over the Hongkong Dispensary will be closed.

Letters can, however, be left as heretofore, in a box placed for the purpose within the same building.

The Company's Stock of Chandeliers and other fittings will, after above date, be on view at the premises of Messrs. DAVE, CRAWFORD & Co., *Queen's Road.*

A. NEWTON,
Manager.

3m 370 Hongkong, 19th February, 1869.

SEAMEN'S HOSPITAL, HONGKONG.

TRUSTEES—
The Colonial Secretary.
The Honourable W. KESWICK, Esq.
GEO. HEARD, Esq.
The Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Company, (ex officio).
W. STANLEY ADAMS, M.D., *Resident Surgeon.*
Mr. YOUNG, *House Surgeon.*
W. PATERSON, Esq., *Hon. Treasurer.*

TERMS OF ADMISSION—

1st Class (Private Room)	per day,	$3.00
2nd " (2 Bedroom Room)	" "	$2.00
3rd " (Public Wards)	" "	$1.00

These charges are inclusive of all Medicines and Attendances; but exclusive of Wines or Articles not in the recognised Dietary Table.

All orders for Admission to Hospital must be countersigned by some responsible Person or Persons resident in the Colony.

Patients are also admitted on Deposits at the following rates, renewable one day previous to the amount deposited having been expended.

1st Class .....$60.
2nd " .....$40.
3rd " .....$20.)

By order,
W. PATERSON,
Treasurer.

1f 91. Hongkong 3rd January, 1868.

J. B. HOLLAND,

SCENIC ARTIST, PORTRAIT, AND CREST PAINTER, DESIGNER, WRITER ON GLASS, AND GENERAL DECORATOR,
13, WYNDHAM STREET, HONGKONG.

1f 2360] [Dec. 15

NOTICE.

RENTS AND ACCOUNTS COLLECTED with despatch, and DISTRAINT WARRANTS FOR RENT issued and executed.
SECURITY IS REQUIRED.
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53, *Wyndham Street.*

1f 338 Hongkong, 18th February, 1868.

Intimations.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Steamship

"YESSO,"

will have immediate dispatch for the above ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

1f 479 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

FOR AMOY AND MANILA.

THE Steamer

"PUNG-SHUEY,"

due here about the 11th instant, will have quick dispatch for the above ports, and call here on her voyage to Manila should sufficient inducement offer.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEALD & Co.

1f 480 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

GUILHERME DA SILVEIRA, of *Shelley Street*, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, late Jeweller and Watchmaker, but now out of employment, having been adjudged Bankrupt under a Petition for adjudication of Bankruptcy, filed in the Supreme Court of Hongkong in Bankruptcy on the Third day of February, 1869, a public sitting for the said Bankrupt to pass his last examination and make application for his order of discharge, will be held before the Honorable JOHN SHARE, Esquire, Chief-Justice of the said Court, at the Supreme Court House, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the *Twelfth day of March*, 1869, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon precisely.

FREDERICK SOWERBY HUTTMAN, Esq., Supreme Court House, is the Official Assignee, and Mr. EDMUND SHARP is the Solicitor acting in the Bankruptcy.

3d 478 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

WANTED on Bottomry, about $8,500, on Ship, Freight, and Cargo of the North German barque "*Albatros*," Capt. Onken, to enable the same to proceed on her voyage hence to San Francisco.

Tenders will be received at the Office of the Undersigned till THIS DAY, the 8th inst., at Noon.

EDUARD SCHEELHASE & Co.,
Agents of the "Albatros."

43 462 Hongkong, 5th March, 1869.

PRAYA HOTEL,
Praya Central, (near the P. & O. Co's Wharf).

THE Proprietors in opening the above establishment hope by strict attention to business to merit a share of the Public Patronage.

Board and Lodging on reasonable terms. Table d'hote every day, at 9 A.M., 1 P.M., and 7 P.M. Single Meals may be had on the shortest notice, at all hours. Wines and Spirits of the best quality.

N.B.—Two first-class American Billiard Tables.

FRANCIS & SIMONS,
Proprietors.

1f 407 Hongkong, 26th February, 1869.

NOTICE.

DICK'S EXTINCTEUR, OR PATENT PORTABLE SELF-ACTING FIRE ENGINE.

THE Undersigned having been favoured by the Agents in Hongkong with the sale of these Invaluable Machines, begs to invite Public attention to them as a means of safety in the event of Fire. An experimental

The Hong Kong Daily Press.

No. 3541 號一十四百五千三第 星七日月三年庚 年己酉同治 HONGKONG, MONDAY, 8TH MARCH, 1869. 一拜禮 號八月三英 港香 PRICE $24 PER MONTH.

Arrivals.

Mch. 6, MALACCA, Brit str., 1,790, Bernard, Shanghai 3rd March, Silk and Treasure —P. & O. Co.

Mch. 6, Louisa, Dan. bk., 225, Hansen, Whampoa 5th March, General (for Tientsin.)—Em. SCHEELHASE & Co.

Mch. 7, GEORG BECKER, North Ger. bk., 266, Reneke, Bergen 13th September, Fish, Glass, Lead and Sundries.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Mch. 7, PRINZ ALBERT, Brit. str., 104, Milsom, Put back (from Swatow.)—ACHEONG.

Mch. 7, SIR J. JEJEEBHOY, Brit. str., 101, Dawson, Put back (from Swatow.)—ACHEONG.

Mch. 7, AMARANTH, North German bk., 400, Fabienus, Callao 11th Dec., Guano.—MELCHERS & Co.

Mch. 7, ZIBA, Brit. bk., 513, Bowes, London, 11th November, General. D. LAPRAIK & Co.

Mch. 7, MADURA, North Ger. bk., 257, Steffens, Whampoa 6th March, General (for Cheefoo).—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Mch. 7, CLAN ALPINE, Brit. str., 946, Hutchison, Calcutta 20th February, Penang 26th, and Singapore 28th, Opium and Sundries.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Mch. 7, YESSO, Brit. str., 625, Ashton, Foochow 4th March, Amoy 5th, and Swatow 6th, General. D. LAPRAIK & Co.

Mch. 7, PATINO, Span. str., 1,000, Garcia, Manila 4th March, Mails and Passengers.—SPANISH CONSUL.

Mch. 7, W. G. RUSSELL, Brit. sh., 1243, Jewett, Shanghai 27th February, Ballast. —ORDER.

Departures.

Mch. 6, ACHILLES, str., for Shanghai.
Mch. 6, DUPLEIX, str., for Yokohama.
Mch. 6, PHASIS, str., for Shanghai.
Mch. 6, VULCAN, str., for Yokohama.
Mch. 6, DARE, for Pratas Shoal.
Mch. 6, SOLENT, for Manila.
Mch. 6, SIR J. JEJEEBHOY, str., for Swatow.
Mch. 6, PRINCE ALBERT, str., for Swatow.
Mch. 7, PATINO, str., for Whampoa.
Mch. 8, BATAVIA, str., for Saigon.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, MARCH 8TH.

Minerva, for Cagayan.
Gazelle, for Newchwang.
Batavia, for Whampoa.
Belled Will, for Yokohama.
Sir J. Jejeebhoy, str., for Swatow.
Prince Albert, str., for Swatow.

Passengers.

Per *Clan Alpine*, str., from Calcutta, &c.—Mr. Sapojee, Dr. Wier, and 80 Chinese.

Per *Yesso*, str., from East Coast.—Misses Wolston (2) Messrs. Wordleum, Dunn, Walkins Anderson, Augier (*London and China Express*), Schwerer, 1 European deck, and 90 Chinese.

Per *Malacca*, str., from Shanghai.—Lady Parkes, 3 children and European female servant, Messrs. Satow, Walsh, Capt. Thompson and servant, Messrs. C. D. Lord, E. Norton, G. Wallace, Peele, Noguchi Tomisuke, Captain MacCelar, Messrs. J. Higging, J. Cobabe, W. R. Dalziel, 1 European deck, and 38 Chinese.

Reports.

The Spanish steamer *Patino*, reports having had moderate monsoon and cloudy weather coming across from Manila.

The British steamer *Clan Alpine*, reports having fine weather and moderate winds in the Bay of Bengal, and latterly in the China sea fresh to strong monsoon.

The British steamer *Yesso*, from the East Coast, reports having had light Southerly winds and foggy weather as far as Amoy, and from thence variable winds and thick weather. The S. S. *Douglas* was in Amoy, and the S. S. *Pawmoor* in Swatow when the *Yesso* left.

The North German bark *Georg Becker*, from Bergen, 13th September, reports having had rough weather off the North sea, and then calms in the Channel. Crossed the Equator on the 4th November, in long. 22 W. Passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on the 6th of December, in lat. 34.36 S. Had heavy Westerly winds in running down the Easting, passing (by reckoning) close to St. Paul's Island, but without seeing it. Entered Lombock Straits on the 29th January, and entered Pitt's Passage on the 4th February, cleared Dampier Straits on the 12th February, and in the Pacific Ocean had N.E. winds. In the China sea had moderate to light monsoon to arrival, 17½ days out. Spoke on the 14th February, in Dampier Straits, the American ship *Lorenzo*, from New York to Nagasaki, 125 days out.

The British bark *Ziba*, from London, 11th November, reports having left Gravesend on the 10th November, and passed the Downs on the 11th November. Made the Island of Madiera on the 19th November, and crossed the Equator on the 4th December; 21 days out. Passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on the 22th December; 43 days out. In running down the Easting experienced strong gales from the Westward during which part of the bulwarks were carried away, but no other damage of consequence was done. Made St. Paul's Islandon the 13th January, and after having light winds and calms entered the Straits of Sunda on the 30th January. Passed Anjer on the 3rd February, 35 days out. Passed through the middle passage of the Gaspar Straits on the 6th February. Cleared the Api Passage on the 15th February, and was off Pulo Sapatu on the 20th February. Arrived off the North Dangers on the 24th February, and off Manila on the 27th February, here experienced light variable winds and calms. Sighted Pratas Island off the 6th March, and had afterwards strong N.E. monsoon with cross sea to arrival, 117 days from the Downs, and 118 from the port of London. Spoke no vessels bound to China Ports. The *Ziba* is the first vessel, this season which, bound to Hongkong, has come via the Straits of Sunda, the majority of vessels for China go by the Eastern Passage in February at which time the *Ziba* came through Sunda.

THE CANTON STEAMER.—The steamer *Pagoda* left Canton at 9.02 A.M., and arrived at Hongkong at 3.47 P.M. Reports having strong N.E. winds with rain coming down. The steamer *Kinshan* at 12.17 P.M., for Lintin and Lankeet, and the steamer *Spark* at 12.12 P.M. At 10.38 A.M., passed a bark bound down Tsiennamsee at Canton, 60 degrees, 2 saloon passengers.

Auction Sales to-day.

BOWRA & Co.—Household Furniture, &c.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.—Boats and Compasses.

RAY & Co.—Sundry Articles.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the WANCHI STEAM BAKERY is removed to the Premises corner of *Wyndham street and Queen's road*, opposite the Clock Tower.

All orders left at the above place, or sent to the Bakery at Wanchi, will receive prompt attention.

L. P. WARD.

1m 239 Hongkong, February 15th, 1869.

Banks.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS

Incorporated by National Decrees of 7th and 8th May, 1848, and by Imperial Decrees of 25th July, 1854, and 31st December, 1866.

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.—Francs 80,000,000.—£3,200,000.

RESERVED FUND.—Francs 20,000,000.—£800,000.

LONDON BANKERS—UNION BANK OF LONDON.

HEAD OFFICE: 14, RUE BERGERE, PARIS. AGENCIES AT LONDON, NANTES, LYONS, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, SAIGON, SAINT DENIS, (ILE DE LA REUNION,) AND YOKOHAMA.

HONGKONG AGENCY

THIS BANK issues Drafts on its Paris Head Office, on the UNION BANK OF LONDON, and on its Agencies in London, Bombay, Calcutta, Shanghai, Bourbon, Saigon, and Yokohama, and on the principal places of Commerce on the Continent of Europe, India, America, China, Australia, &c.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS are kept, upon which no Commission is charged, and no Interest allowed.

BILLS on Europe, India, America, Australia, &c., &c., are purchased or remitted for collection.

LOCAL BILLS discounted, and LOANS granted on Merchandize, &c., &c.

LETTERS OF CREDIT issued, available for the purchase of Merchandize in all parts of the World, on terms to be ascertained on application to the Manager.

E. DELBANCO, *Manager.*

Offices in Hongkong:—BANK BUILDINGS, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, December, 1868. [790

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL...5,000,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors.

Chairman—GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—JULIUS MENKE, Esq.
George J. Holland, Esq. — A. Joost, Esq.
William Lowman, Esq. — A. P. Bateman, Esq.
W. H. Forbes, Esq. — Richard Rowett, Esq.
S. D. Sassoon, Esq. — E. R. Schiffer, Esq.
Hontie. J. B. Taylor.

Managers:

Hongkong—Victor Kresser, Esq., Chief Manager.
Shanghai—David McBean, Esq.

London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG:

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months 2 per cent. per annum.
6 " 4 " "
12 " 5 " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

VICTOR KRESSER, *Chief Manager.*

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

THE ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, *30th August*, 1851.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.
RESERVED FUND, £444,000.

Court of Directors.

Harry George Gordon, Esq., Chairman.
George Arbuthnot, Esq.
James Blyth, Esq.
Duncan James Kay, Esq.
J. Binny Key, Esq.
Alexander Mackenzie, Esq.
Lestock Robert Reid, Esq.
James Walker, Esq.

Charles J. F. Stuart, Esq., Chief Manager.

Bankers.

The Bank of England.
The Union Bank of London.

Agents in Scotland.

National Bank of Scotland.
Commercial Bank of Scotland.

Agent in Edinburgh.

R. Dundas Cay, 23, St. Andrew's Square, Edinburgh.

Agents in Ireland.

Provincial Bank of Ireland.
The National Bank.

Head Office.

Threadneedle Street, London, E.C.

Branches and Agencies.

BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PONDICHERRY, KURRACHEE, COLOMBO, POINT DE GALLE, MAURITIUS, MELBOURNE, SYDNEY, SINGAPORE, FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

The Corporation receive Money on Deposit repayable on Demand, upon which no Interest is allowed. *Current accounts* are kept with Firms and Individuals, *free of Commission.*

Money is also received on Fixed Deposit, repayable at Twelve, Six, and Three Months' notice. Rates of interest may be known on application either at the office of the Corporation or by letter addressed to the Manager.

Notice of withdrawal may be given at the time of deposit.

The Corporation discount Bills and Notes payable in Hongkong, having at least two approved names unconnected in general partnership, and they advance upon Bullion and Merchandize, not of a perishable nature, in the custody of the Bank.

Exchange.

The Corporation grant Drafts on the Bank of England payable on demand, on the Union Bank of London at Four or Six Months' sight, and on the Head Office at shorter sight.

Circular Notes for the use of Travellers are issued, negotiable in all places of importance throughout the world.

Drafts are granted on the several Branches and Agencies of the Corporation, as above, at the Exchange of the day, and on the proper address being furnished will be forwarded direct to the Payees by the Corporation.

Bills payable in Europe or in any of the above places are purchased or remitted for collection.

Approved bills payable in San Francisco are also purchased by the Corporation, and drafts granted, at rates of exchange equivalent to those ruling on London—Bills of Exchange on San Francisco, or the Atlantic Ports, will likewise be remitted for collection, at the option of Constituents.

All cheques or orders to be made payable to "The Oriental Bank Corporation."

Information as to the rules of business may be had at the Office, or on application by letter to the Manager.

Office hours 10 to 3. Saturday 10 to 1.

JAMES BERWICK, *Acting Manager.*

249 Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, 1869-71.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Mr. JAMES KENNARD DAVIS has been appointed Agent at Hongkong, and is authorized to sign all Policies of Insurance, and generally to transact the business of the Company, on and after 1st January, 1869.

By order of the Court of Directors,
HERBERT S. MORRIS, *Secretary.*

3m 2411 Shanghai, 10th December, 1868.

Banks.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER.
CAPITAL PAID-UP £750,000.
With power to increase to £1,500,000.
Reserve Fund, £145,902 1s. 8d.

Head-Office—No. 65, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

George (London Mind, Esq.—*Chairman.*
Donald Larnach, Esq.
George May, Esq.
Sir Frederick J. Halliday.
James M. Robertson, Esq.
Ellis James Gilman, Esq.
David Trail Robertson, Esq.—*Chief-Manager.*

LONDON BANKERS:
Bank of England.
London Joint Stock Bank.

SOLICITORS.
Messrs. Clarke, Sons, & Rawlins, Coleman St.

AUDITORS.
Messrs. Colemani, Turquand, Youngs & Co., Public Accountants.

J. Smith, Esq., of Messrs. W. Nicol & Co., Bombay.
James Joseph Mackenzie, Esq., late of Messrs. Dent & Co., China.

Branches and Agencies:
Bombay.
Calcutta.
Madras.
Colombo.
Ceylon { Kandy.
Galle.
Singapore.
Penang.
Foochow.
Shanghai.
Yokohama.
Hankow.
Mauritius.
Saigon.
Batavia.

BOUNDARY DEPOSIT AGENCY.
138, George Street.
CHARLES TEMPLE, Esq., C.A., Agent.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Current deposits.—Accounts are kept on which no interest is allowed and no charge made for collecting Bills, Cheques, &c.

Fixed deposits.—Are received viz:—
Repayable at 12 months.....6% per annum.
" at 6 " .....5% per annum.

The Bank discounts Local Bills and Notes payable in Hongkong having at least two approved names unconnected in general partnership, and makes advances on approved Banking Securities.

Exchange.

The Bank issues Drafts on its London Office, and on the London Joint Stock Bank at four months' sight, also on its Branches above, and Agents in Scotland, Ireland, Melbourne, Sydney and Towns in Australia, New Zealand, &c., and grants Circular Notes for the use of travellers negotiable in all Towns of importance throughout the world.

Bills payable in Europe or in any of the above mentioned places are purchased or remitted for collection.

Further information as to the rules of business may be obtained at the office, or on application by letter to the Manager.

Office hours.—10 to 3. Saturday 10 to 1.

WILLIAM JACKSON, *Manager.*

2, Queen's Road, 24th July, 1867.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the year ending on 31st December last, at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum, say $7.50 per month on Shares of $125, and $1.50 per Share on which $25 have been paid, is payable on and after MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSER, *Chief Manager.*

tf 358 Hongkong, 15th February, 1869.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the uppaid Capital of One Hundred Dollars per share, on the 20,000 New Shares of the Corporation's Stock, will fall due on the dates following, viz:—

On 1st July, 1869, ... $25
1st July, 1870, ... 25
1st January, 1872 25
1st January, 1873 25
$100

Shareholders electing to pay the whole or any portion of the above calls by anticipation, will receive interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, payable half yearly, until the respective dates at which the calls shall fall due, and receipts for such payments will be issued at the Head Office and Branches.

By order of the Court of Directors,
VICTOR KRESSER, *Chief Manager.*

tf 417 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

TO LET.

With Possession on the 1st May Next.

THOSE very desirable Business Premises, situated in the *Queen's Road*, and extending to the Praya, at present occupied by Messrs. Bowra & Co.

This property can be divided into three portions—that in the Praya is detached, and contains extensive Godowns in the ground and middle floors, with private residence on the upper floor, and separate entrance thereto.

The portion abutting on the *Queen's Road*, from its very central position, is admirably adapted for a Shop or Store, having Godowns on the basement floor, and Dwelling Apartments on the upper floor.

The central portion consist of two Blocks of Buildings, each two storied, and suitable for Offices and Godowns.

For Particulars apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 426 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned beg to notify their intention of retiring from business, and offer the whole of their valuable stock at rates to secure an immediate sale.

The Stock consists of every description of Shipchandlery GOODS, IRONMONGERY and Building MATERIALS, WINES, BEER, SPIRITS and Family STORES, Electro-plated WARE in great variety, DRUGGETS, MATS, GLASS WARE, Dish COVERS, LEDGERS, JOURNALS, Day and Cash BOOKS, Breech-Loading RIFLES, PISTOLS, CARTRIDGES, Sporting SHOT, Gas CHANDELIERS and BRACKETS, &c., &c.; Gil CHANDELIERS, 1, 2, 3, and 6 burners; Peacock's COMPOSITION and PAINTS of all kinds.

Also,

Chubb's FIREPROOF SAFES as under, 4ft. high, 3 ft 3 in. wide, 2 ft. 1 in. deep; 3 ft. 4in. high, 3 ft. 1 in. wide, 2 ft. deep; and Several of smaller sizes. Chubb's patent PADLOCK COMBINATION DRAW-ER, BOX, and other kinds, and Chubb's CASH, DEED, and PAPER BOXES.

A large assortment of Reading BOOKS, &c., &c., &c.

Must all be cleared by 31st March, (see advertisement above.)

BOWRA & Co.

tfd 416 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

IF the Package left some years back at the Store of the Undersigned, addressed Jorstin (Danish, Esq.) is not claimed within fourteen days from the date hereof, it and the contents will be sold to defray expenses.

BOWRA & Co.

1d 395 Hongkong, 22nd February, 1869.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BOWRA & Co.

WILL sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms,

THIS DAY

the 8th March, 1869, at 11 o'clock A.M.—HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, Valuable BOOKS, an assortment of JEWELLERY, Gold and Silver WATCHES, CHAINS, RINGS, BROOCHES, CHRONOMETERS, CHARTS, PICTURES, FLANNELS, Sofas, CHAIRS, Choice WINES, CLARETS, CHAMPAGNE.

Also,

The EFFECTS of the late APEL, consisting of Wearing APPAREL, a PIANO-FORTE, GLASS and CROCKERY.

—&c. —&c. —&c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

467 Hongkong, 5th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. have received instructions from the Consul of Hamburg, to sell by Public Auction,

THIS DAY.

the 8th March, 1869, at 11 o'clock A.M., *At the Wharf of Messrs. Siemssen & Co.—(For account of the concerned).*

2 BOATS, with SAILS, &c., &c.

And,

3 COMPASSES.

Saved from the "Wrecked" Hamburg barque "*Madelie*."

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

470 Hongkong, 6th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

RAY & Co. will sell by Public Auction

THIS DAY,

the 8th March, 1869, at Noon,

At their Sales Room, Queen's Road.—An Invoice of PERFUMERY, in Handsome Cut Bottles.

1 Case Fancy Colored FLANNELS.
100 Dozen do. Woollen SOCKS.
100 " Lead PENCILS.
150 " Pocket and Memorandum BOOKS.
75 " Men's BRACES.
350 " Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS.
5 Pieces White FLANNEL.
450 Dozen Paper COLLARS.
20 " Paragon Silk UMBRELLAS, 8 and 12 Ribs.
10 Bales BLANKETS.
Foolscap and Note PAPER, LEDGERS, JOURNALS, Day and Cash BOOKS, &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

481 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BOWRA & Co.

WILL sell by Public Auction, by order of A. H. Price, Esq., H.M. Naval Storekeeper.

TO-MORROW,

the 9th March, 1869, at 11 o'clock A.M., at H.M. Naval Yard,

55,000 lbs. BISCUIT.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

464 Hongkong, 5th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co. will sell by Public Auction,

TOMORROW,

the 9th March, 1869, at Noon,

At their Sales Rooms, Queen's Road Central.—50 Dozen Cotton HANDKERCHIEFS.
130 " Men's White Cotton SOCKS.
110 " Women's White Cotton STOCKINGS.
28 " Children's SOCKS.
11 Pieces Fancy Print FLANNELS.
10 " Colored FLANNELS.
10 Dozen Fancy Wool and White Merino UNDERSHIRTS.
5 Pieces Linen SHEETINGS.
144 Alpacca COATS.
23 " VESTS.
59 Cotton COATS, cheaped.
20 " VESTS.
36 Dozen Paragon Silk UMBRELLAS.
90 " Calcutta NAPKINS.
1 Case Sea CHARTS.
10 Bales White Cotton WASTE.
48 Axminster CARPETS.
40 Dozen Huckaback TOWELS.
200 " Colored Glass PLATES.
117 Double-barrelled GUNS.
200 MUSKETS.
10 Cases Bryant and May's SAFETY MATCHES.
5 " Twist TOBACCO.
4 Barrels Bright VARNISH.
20 Gvls. Hubinck's best White ZINC.
20 " White LEAD.
10 " Yellow PAINT.
50 Drums Hubinck's boiled Linseed OIL.
10 Cases 4-SARDINES.
20 2 lbs. Tins, Green CORN.
30 Casks, Quarts, BASS'S ALE.
10 " Pints, do.
90 Cases Cherry CORDIAL.

And a quantity of PROVISIONS, STORES, and other GOODS.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

475 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Mortgagee to sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,

the 9th March, 1869, at 4 P.M., on the Spot,—

All that piece or parcel of GROUND, Registered in the land office as the remaining portion of Inland Lot No. 318, and Section C and D of Inland Lot No. 839, situated on Mosque Junction, with the five Dwelling Houses erected thereon, to be sold in one lot, or each of the houses separately, with the parcel of ground on which each house Stands.

Terms and conditions of Sale will be made known on the spot at the time of Sale.

For further particulars, apply to

H. N. MODY, *Auctioneer.*

411 Hongkong, 26th February, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (if not previously disposed of by private agreement), at their Sales-Rooms, *Queen's Road,*

TO-MORROW,

the 9th inst., at 4.30 P.M.—

Captain Hallowes' GREY ARAB, (an excellent lady's Horse).

Also,

The Indian Racing Pony "LIBERATOR."

A Brown Burmah PONY, quiet to drive.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors in description, at purchasers' risk upon fall of the hammer.

473 Hongkong, 6th March, 1869.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on their Store Premises, *Queen's Road* and *Praya*, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 10th instant, at 3 P.M.,—

A choice Selection JAPANESE WARE, consisting of CABINETS, Glove BOXES, FANS, JARS and VASES, Fishing RODS, Cigar CASES, Ivory BUTTONS, Bamboo CHAIRS, PARASOLS, PIPES, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

476 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Property at Foochow, known as DENT & Co.'s, will be offered for sale by Public Auction in a few days hence, unless previously disposed of by Private Contract.

The Property consists of

DWELLING HOUSE, containing 8 Rooms and Bath Rooms, with Servants' Offices and Stables detached, the whole surrounded by a Garden.

This House is let on a short Lease at $150 per month.

OFFICE AND GODOWNS.

A House containing 4 Offices and spacious Tea Room, with fire-proof Godowns, large Treasury, and Compradore's Rooms below, Servants' Offices, &c., detached.

Three large GODOWNS A, B, and C, adjoining the above.

This Property has water frontage, is situated in the most eligible portion of the business quarter of Foochow, and is let on a Repairing Lease for 5 years, commencing from the 1st May next, at the annual rental of $4,500.

For further particulars apply at the Office of the Trustees, No. 7, Pedder's Hill.

5m 253 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1869.

Ex "SHAKESPEARE" and "NIGER".

MÜLLER & CLAUSSEN have just received a new assortment of goods for the present season, comprising:—

Black and Blue BROAD CLOTHS and DOESKINS.

Fancy TWEEDS, ANGOLAS, DOESKINS, and FLANNELS, in suit lengths (shrunk).

The Tailoring Department being under the supervision of an EUROPEAN CUTTER. Gentlemen can rely upon obtaining a perfect fit.

Long Cloth and Crimean SHIRTS.
Cotton, Merino, and Silk UNDER VESTS and DRAWERS.
Cotton, Merino, and Lisle Thread SOCKS and STOCKINGS.

Linen and Paper COLLARS, in great variety.
SCARFS, NECKTIES, and Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS.

Christy's Black Paris and Felt HATS.
Christy's Drab Shell and Felt HATS.
Boy's Felt HATS and CAPS.

Dawson's BOOTS and SHOES.

Damask Table CLOTHS and NAPKINS.

A splendid assortment of Gosnell's PERFUMERY, SOAP, HAIR BRUSHES, &c.

MÜLLER & CLAUSSEN,
10, *Queen's Road.*

1d 457 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

AVIS.

Koné, 20 Janvier, 1869.

TOUTE personne débitrice de la succession JULES THÉODORE VIAULT, ex Vice-Consul de France de ce port, est invitée à payer immédiatement le montant de sa dette chez Monsieur PAUL HEINEMANN, agissant au nom du Vice-Consulat de France, et toute personne créancière de la dite succession devra présenter ses titres de créances à cette même personne dans le plus bref délai.

Le Vice-Consul de France,
F. J. LEQUES.

TRANSLATION.

ALL persons indebted to the Estate of JULES THÉODORE VIAULT, late Vice-Consul of France at this port, are requested to make immediate payment to Mr. PAUL HEINEMANN, acting on behalf of the Vice-Consulate of France; and all persons having claims against the said Estate, must present the same without delay.

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NOTICE.

THE Undersigned being about to leave the Colony, request that all persons indebted to them will make immediate payment of same, and all persons having claims against them will present them for settlement by 31st March, 1869.

FRED. H. HARSANT.
GEORGE A. F. NORRIS.

445 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. Tennent, Glasgow, and Messrs. David Corsar & Sons Arbroath.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

tf 419 Hongkong, January, 1867.

MEDICAL.—A Gentleman, aged 38, M.D., and F.R.C.S. now Conducting a Practice as *Locum Tenens* of £3,000 a year in the East, is anxious for a similar engagement next June. Terms, £1,000 per annum with board. Address, D. M., *Daily Press* Office.

tf 2190 Hongkong, 24th November, 1868.

FOR SALE.

BEATO'S Japanese VIEWS and COSTUMES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

tf 1611 Hongkong, 27th August, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE Office of the Agency of P. M. S. S. Company is REMOVED to *Praya West*, next door below HARBOUR MASTER'S Office.

GEO. P. ROWMAN, *Agent.*

tf 2194 Hongkong, 29th October, 1867.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

A. WHEELER begs to announce to his patrons and the public generally, that he has removed to No. 36, *Queen's Road Central*, (opposite LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s) where he hopes by attention to business to receive a continuance of their patronage.

tf 24 Hongkong, 4th January, 1869.

TO BE LET, OR FOR SALE,

AT Macao, that most desirable Bungalow, known as No. 1, *Calcada da Sen Francisco*, containing 2 Bedrooms, Dining-room, Parlor, Bathroom, W.C., and Pantry, Cook-house, Servants' offices detached, Coach-house and Stable, with a small Garden. Government ground rental of $8 per annum (*Eight dollars*).

For particulars, &c., and inspection of plan, and title deeds, Apply to J. J. EDWARDS, Esq., Club Chambers, Hongkong, or to J. R. WHITE & Co., Auctioneers, Macao.

tf 123 Macao, 15th January, 1869.

KELUNG COAL COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to supply Steamers and Vessels with the best FORMOSA COAL at current rates, or to deliver the same under contract at any port in China.

The company having always a large quantity in store, vessels will not be subjected to any unnecessary delay.

DODD & Co., *Agents.*

tf 381 Kelung, 6th January, 1868.

FORMOSA COAL DEPOT AT KILUNG

HAS on hand a large stock of Coal of *best quality*, and is prepared to supply Steamers and Sailing vessels with quick dispatch at current rates, or deliver the same under Contract at Hongkong, and any Treaty port in China.

The Depot, drawing supplies from the best mines only, intends to provide a superior article, *free of the Surface Coal*, that has hitherto prejudiced Consumers.

MLISCH & Co., *Agents.*

tf 835 Kilung, 2nd May, 1868.

Intimations.

THE Committee of the Chamber of Commerce beg to invite all those interested in the question of opening additional Ports on the Coast of China, to a Meeting to be held on THURSDAY, the 11th instant, at the rooms of the Chamber, at 3 P.M., when the reply proposed to be sent to H. E Sir R. Alcock's despatch to Mr. Consul PEDDER, will be laid upon the table for discussion.

Printed copies of said letter can be had on application to the Secretary at Club Chambers, on and after this date.

By order,
J. W. WOOD, *Secretary.*

30 453 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Fortnightly Market Circulars published by the Chamber, will in future be deliverable from this office of the undersigned from 10 A.M. of the morning preceding the steamer's departure. The Circulars are at the disposal of *non-Members*, on application to the Secretary, who will furnish particulars of cost, &c.

By order,
J. W. WOOD, *Secretary.*

Club Chambers,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869. [tf 427

THE Next General MEETING of the members of the Morrison Education Society will be held in the LONDON MISSION HOUSE, on the 30th March, at 3 P.M.

D. B. MORRIS, *Secretary.*

30d 438 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1869.

UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the fifth Call is payable in two instalments of $100 each, say:

On 31st MARCH,
" 30th JUNE,

at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum will be charged after the above dates.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN INGLIS, *Acting Secretary.*

tf 359 Hongkong, 16th February, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

MR. ROBERT S. WALKER has this day been appointed Secretary to the Company, and Mr. JOHN INGLIS, the present Acting Secretary, resumes his functions as managing Engineer for the Company.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN INGLIS, *Acting Secretary.*

tf 457 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DENT & CO.

A SECOND Dividend of Five per centum upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 15th May next.

On application to Mr. G. OVERBECK, at the office of the Trustees, No. 7, *Pedder's Hill*, creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees, which will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

3m 448 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1869.

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DENT & Co.

A FIRST Dividend of Ten per centum, upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 1st of January next.

On application to the undersigned, at the office of the Trustees, *Peddar's Hill*, Creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees, which will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

By order of the Trustees,
E. WHEELER.

tf 2232 Hongkong, 30th November, 1868.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the Ninth call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above-named Company is due on the 1st June next, and will be payable at the office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent. per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GEORGE N. MINTO, *Secretary.*

tf 442 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.—On and after the 1st of March next, the office of this Company situated over the Hongkong Dispensary will be closed.

Letters can, however, be left as heretofore, in a box placed for the purpose within the same building.

The Company's Stock of Chandeliers and other fittings will, after above date, be on view at the premises of Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., *Queen's Road.*

A. NEWTON, *Manager.*

3m 370 Hongkong, 19th February, 1869.

SEAMEN'S HOSPITAL, HONGKONG.

TRUSTEES—

The Colonial Secretary.
The Honorable W. Keswick, Esq.
Geo. Heard, Esq.
The Superintendent of the P. & O. S. N. Company, (ex officio).
W. STANLEY ADAMS, M.D., *Resident Surgeon.*
Mr. YOUNG, *House Surgeon.*
W. PATERSON, Esq., *Hon. Treasurer.*

TERMS OF ADMISSION—

1st Class (Private Room), per day, $3.00
2nd " (2 Bedsteads Rooms), " " $2.00
3rd " (Public Wards) " " $1.00

These charges are inclusive of all Medicines and Attendances, but exclusive of Wines or Articles not in the recognized Dietary Table.

All orders for Admission to Hospital must be countersigned by some responsible Person or Persons resident in this Colony.

(Patients are also admitted on Deposits at the following rates, renewable one day previous to the amount deposited having been expended.

1st Class ..... $60.
2nd " ..... $40.
3rd " ..... $20.)

By order,
W. PATERSON, *Treasurer.*

tf 21 Hongkong, 3rd January, 1869.

J. B. HOLLAND,

SCENIC ARTIST, PORTRAIT, AND CREST PAINTER, DESIGNER, WRITER ON GLASS, AND GENERAL DECORATOR.

13, WYNDHAM STREET, HONGKONG.

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NOTICE.

RENTS AND ACCOUNTS COLLECTED with despatch, and DISTRAINT WARRANTS FOR RENT issued and executed.

SECURITY IF REQUIRED.

THOS. W. BARRINGTON,
53, *Wyndham Street.*

tf 338 Hongkong, 18th February, 1869.

Intimations.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Steamship

"YESSO,"

will have immediate dispatch for the above ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 479 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

FOR AMOY AND MANILA.

THE Steamer

"FUNG-SHUEY,"

due here about the 11th instant, will have quick dispatch for the above ports, and call here on her voyage to Manila should sufficient inducement offer.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

tf 480 Hongkong, 8th March, 1869.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

GUILHERME DA SILVEIRA, of *Shelley Street*, Victoria,

UNDER DISPATCH.

For Shanghai—Per *Ada*. To-morrow, the 9th instant, at noon.

The Chronicle and Directory for 1869

NOW READY.

THE Edition for 1869 is now ready for Delivery.

As already announced, the Directory is published in Two Forms, Complete at $5, or with the Lists of Residents and Port Directories only, at $3.

Copies may be obtained at the *Daily Press* Office, and of the following Agents:—

Messrs. DROWER & Co., Newchwang.
" WILSON, NICHOLES & Co., Amoy.
" THOMSON & Co., Foochow.
" LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Shanghai.
" WATCHMAN, GROSS & Co., Japan.
Mr. L. P. FISHER, Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco.
Mr. GEO. STRECK, 30, Cornhill, London.

The delivery of the *Daily Press* from this office commenced on Saturday morning at 10.30, and the last messengers left the office at 10.55.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 8TH, 1869.

WHILE it would be wanting in courtesy to enter upon any polemical discussion of the merits of the draft of the letter which the Chamber of Commerce have drawn up, in reply to Sir RUTHERFORD ALCOCK's enquiry concerning the advisability of opening subsidiary ports or new treaty ports in China, as it is understood that that document is of a private nature, and designed merely as a general indication of the views the Chamber considered it desirable should be set forth, it may, at the same time, be useful to lay before the public such considerations with regard to the question as are likely to aid in its discussion at the approaching meeting of the Chamber, and will place home readers in possession of the opinions generally current in Hongkong upon the subject. Reserving, therefore, more detailed comments until the reply decided upon by the Chamber is open to publication, it is proposed to state briefly the opinions entertained upon the question by competent mercantile authorities in this Colony.

There is no doubt that two distinct matters are involved in the question which is asked by Sir RUTHERFORD ALCOCK, although that question is put merely in the most general way by him. The mercantile communities are simply asked whether they want new ports, but they are not told whether any steps will be taken to make such new ports more serviceable to foreign trade than those already existing, which, it has been clearly demonstrated, fall in a great measure in the object for which they were designed, that is, as a means of permitting the penetration of foreign goods into the interior of the country. The usefulness, or the contrary, of new ports, mainly depends upon how far they will tend to this result, and, before a definite answer can be given, as to whether they are desirable or not, it is absolutely necessary that this point should be clearly understood. The question, as at present put, is much like asking a young man at home simply whether he would like to go to China. The answer very probably would be: "Well, I have no particular objection to go there, or anywhere else; but what shall I get when I arrive?" The merchants are now asked whether they desire to go to new places on the Coast of China, and they may be pardoned if they rejoin with the same question, and desire to know what trading facilities will be granted at such new ports. Judging from the opinions, so far as they have been expressed, this view of the question has been very clearly grasped; and it will be well if in their final reply, the Chamber express their opinion in the only way probably that it can be usefully expressed, that is, with the reservation above indicated.

If it were known what arrangements are to be come to at the Treaty revision in respect to the Transit dues, there would be no difficulty in estimating the bearing of the question. Supposing, for example, it were definitely ascertained that illegal exactions would be totally abolished, for, say, a hundred miles, round the new ports, some idea might be formed as to what increase of trade was likely to ensue, both in exports and imports. If it were known that the Silk or Tea, in given producing district, could be brought free of tax down to a given port, that it was proposed to open, or *vice versa*, that foreign manufactured goods could be taken and freely sold at a given inland mart, without further imports than those provided by Treaty, then the question would be narrowed as to that particular port into a very definite compass. To take an example, that is now tolerably familiar to commercial men in China. Let it be supposed that Shanghai was not at present an open port, and that the Chamber of Commerce desired to estimate whether it would be to their advantage that it should be opened. One of the first things that would be asked, would be whether Tea and Silk could be brought down to it free from the places of production, and whether imports could be taken from it without illegal taxes as far as, say the inland mart of Soochow. With respect to the illegal taxes on imports between Shanghai and Soochow, it happens that definite information is possessed. They were shown by the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce, in their memorial to Sir RUTHERFORD ALCOCK on the question of the Treaty revision, to be equivalent to 1s. 2d. on a piece of Grey Shirtings. Is it not clear that one of the main questions in reference to probability that opening the port would improve the import trade would be: How far will that course tend to diminish the 1s. 2d. inland squeezes, between the port of entry, Shanghai, and the point of consumption, Soochow? This, combined with the local consumption in and immediately around the port of entry, would form the gain that would have to be estimated; and any opinion formed without taking this point into consideration would be fallacious and calculated to lead to unsatisfactory results. It is perfectly true that, notwithstanding the inland squeezes around the ports, a large trade has been developed; a circumstance which goes to show, not that these illegal taxes exert no detrimental influence upon the trade; but, on the contrary, the magnitude of the business from which foreign merchants are excluded, seeing how much, notwithstanding these obstacles, can be done. No arguments in the world will overthrow the fact that a very much larger quantity of Shirtings will be consumed at 11s. 2d. a piece in Soochow and the surrounding country, than at 12s. 2d.; and it is ascertained fact, that goods laying down in Shanghai at 11s. cannot now be placed at Soochow at lower than the above price; but could, if the illegal exactions were removed, be placed there a shilling a piece cheaper. Mere proximity, therefore, to producing or consuming districts is, in China, of comparatively little moment; as a saving in carriage, which in other countries would be worth considering, is a mere drop in the Ocean compared with the unauthorised taxes.

To the above argument, it will very probably be answered, that a large trade has sprung up at Shanghai; and that, if it were now a question whether it would be advantageous to open that port, it would be an error to conclude that, on account of the exactions existing between it and the places of consumption and production, no gain would accrue. In order to prove this, however, it must be shown that, if Shanghai were not opened, the Trade now conducted there would not be carried on equally profitably at another port, such, for example, as Ningpo, or, so far as the business is merely that of an emporium, even at Hongkong. This would in all probability be the case; and it will be advisable, in anything that is done, carefully to take into consideration how far trade may be diverted from the centres, where it at present exists, and at which, merchants have been to great expense in order to secure the means to conduct it, to other ports where, though they would be nearer to the places of production and consumption, they would, in consequence of the heavy squeezes levied *in transitu* derive no corresponding benefit.

A day or two back the buildings of the late Mint were handed from the Military authorities to the police, by whom they will in future be taken care of.

The *Government Gazette* of Saturday notifies the appointment of Hon. J. Gardiner Austin, Hon. W. H. Rennie, Hon. H. B. Gibb, Hon. W. Keswick, and Hon. J. B. Taylor, or any three of those gentlemen, as a commission for instituting enquiries into the Building Ordinance No. 8. of 1869, with a view to its amendment.

The two steamers, *Prince Albert* and *Sir J. Jeejeebhoy*, which left this port on the 6th, ostensibly for Swatow, but really it is stated for the Pariah Islands, have both put back, arriving here yesterday. The two steamers anchored in the Ly-ee-moon passage on Saturday night, and on the Sunday morning made an attempt to go over to the shoal. The *Prince Albert* could have gone over, but the little *"Jeejeebhoy"* could not get over the high sea that was on, so both steamers returned.

Yesterday, from information received by Mr. Orcagh, that gentleman, accompanied by a posse of constables, made a raid on a house in Lascar Row, and captured eighteen Indians and a Chinaman in the act of gambling. The prisoners are mostly unemployed, while there is a sprinkling of Seedy boys from the 2nd and 3rd steamers. The proprietor of the little establishment jumped from a back window and escaped, although it is believed that he must be injured.

The heavy gusts of wind which have been felt here for the last three nights, seem to have fallen somewhat more heavily on Canton. On Friday night it blew very high in the Chinese city, and much damage was done. A great number of houses on the Honam side were damaged, especially the roofs and verandahs, and on the Canton side, the roofs of several houses were blown off. In one instance, a row of four or five houses, near the wharf where the Canton steamer was lying, had the roofs literally stripped clean off. Rain, thunder, and lightning were continuous throughout the night, although here the only really heavy part of the storm was towards morning.

The Report of F. W. Mitchell, Esq., Postmaster-General for the year 1868, appears in the *Gazette*, of Saturday. The Revenue statements show an increase in the year 1868, as compared with 1867, of $9,522.26, so that whilst the establishment of the system of sorting mails at sea, the introduction of the Money Order system, and various other improvements have necessarily increased the expenditure, it is satisfactory to note that the Revenue has increased to a larger extent. An interesting report from Frederick Stewart, Esq., upon the Government Schools in this colony, also appears in the *Gazette*. It reviews the various matters connected with those institutions in detail. The most important point touched upon is the bearing of the introduction of secular instruction, which Mr. Stewart urges was "neither hastily adopted, nor is it unthinkingly pursued," adding that the system is at present on its trial, and should have a fair one. He asks why "Government should lose an opportunity of diffusing useful knowledge by enforcing religious instruction, to which the Chinese mind is at present so repugnant?"

To-morrow afternoon a foot race of half-a-mile will be run on the Cricket ground, and from the interest this contest has already attracted, as well as the "pile" of Mexicans the ownership of which is to be determined by the result, the affair will, no doubt, be one of the most exciting occurrences of the season. There are twenty entries, and the start has been made as equal as possible by each competitor being handicapped, according to his supposed qualifications of muscle, wind and speed. Below is a list of the entries, and the distance given to each starter. One very novel feature of this race is the fact that a sweep has been organised on the result and on Saturday evening this sweep which amounts to $705, was drawn, and each "horse" sold to the highest bidder. Each of the competitors thus had an opportunity of backing his various racing qualifications, appraised in Mexicans. The start will take place at 5 o'clock to-morrow afternoon, and the verandah of the City Hall will be a very eligible stand for witnessing the contest.

A. G. Sim	Scratch.
C. Wagner	20 yards.
E. W. Stewart	25 "
H. Foss	32 "
R. D. Starkey	35 "
W. H. Dalnedia	35 "
A. L. Turner	37 "
H. Granger	40 "
E. Alford	40 "
C. D. Weeks	40 "
B. Burjorjee	40 "
H. Willis	55 "
S. C. Kawal	55 "
E. Moyers	60 "
C. D. Bodlomiry	65 "
A. McLeod	70 "
W. S. Foster	70 "
A. N. Blakeman	70 "
W. Legge	75 "
D. Rettoujee	80 "
T. Wallace	80 "
G. F. Young	100 "

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

BEFORE E. W. GOODLAKE, ESQ.
MARCH 6TH.

CASH BOX ROBBERY.

Mr. Driscoll, trading as Frisby & Co., appeared to prosecute four men, for the robbery of his small cash box, from the upper part of the store, in 72, Wellington-street.

Mr. Driscoll said about ten o'clock last night, he missed his safe, which he had left in his bedroom upstairs, about eight o'clock. It was a heavy safe, about as much as a man could lift. It contained his account books, receipts, various papers, about $50 in notes and $125 in silver. He knew all the prisoners. The second prisoner was his cook, and came on the 2nd instant. The third prisoner was his late cook, and left on the 3rd instant (as he said) to go to Canton. The first and fourth prisoners were not his servants, but had been there in his house. The cook-house in 72, Wellington-street, was only divided from his bedroom by one room. There was no one in the house when he went out at eight o'clock, and secured his door with a padlock. When he returned at ten o'clock he found the padlock broken off. Afterwards, he had the prisoners arrested in a house in Graham street, and two at the house of Messrs. Bourjau, Wiener & Co.

Inspector Kirby searched No. 17, Graham-street, and found a number of boxes, which the proprietor of the house said belonged to men who were at Canton and Macao. In the room he found a new cartridge box, (produced) marked "water department." This could not have been sold. There were also found some pistol cartridges, and regimental ticket No 11.

Mr. Goodlake remanded the case, on the application of the Inspector, until next Thursday.

CAUGHT IN A DRAIN.

A small boy, whose head would hardly reach the top rail of the dock, was charged by a watchman of the P and O. Co., with stealing a fire bar.

The watchman stated that he saw the youth carrying the bar about half-past six yesterday evening. When the prisoner saw him (watchman) he ran and dropped the bar, afterwards bolting into a drain in the Praya. The boy was brought out by an Indian constable.

P.C. 309, Hurree Sing, the gallant constable who plunged boldly into the drain after the young rascal, said he saw the boy run into a drain on the Praya, and thinking something was wrong he went in after the young rogue; first, however, relieving himself of his neither garments to preserve them. He caught the boy (whether by the leg or not did not appear), brought him to the station.

Mr. Goodlake, with a view to correcting this youthful love of old iron, sentenced the prisoner to one month's hard labour, and twelve strokes of the rattan.

AN INTERRUPTION.

While the business of the court was proceeding, Mr. Rodrigues violently shoved into the dock a tall coolie, whom he said had been abusing him outside in the shroff's room.

It appears that the coolie was adjudged by the magistrate to receive fifty cents amounds from a Portuguese, who prosecuted him for disturbance. The coolie perhaps not having had a hearty breakfast in the cells at the police-station, was anxious to get his amends "chop chop" and go; but somehow he stumbled across the Portuguese interpreter, and was "hauled up."

Mr. Rodrigues repeated the bad expression used by the coolie, who, however, in turn said he was shoved, and did not give way to bad expressions.

Mr. Goodlake said it was a trifling case, and ordered the coolie to have his fifty cents at once and go.

STREET GAMBLING.

Inspector Gerson managed to catch a couple of street-gamblers yesterday, and brought them up to-day, at the same producing the dice and cups that the fellows were playing well. He identified the second prisoner as the head man.

P.C. 67 identified the second prisoner as an old offender.

Mr. Goodlake was obliged to impose a severe punishment on an inveterate street gambler. Second prisoner was, therefore, sentenced to two months hard labour, and the first one to two days' solitary confinement.

DISPUTED MALATE.

Two Malays, who have been loitering about the colony for some time, were at last brought up as destitutes, and his Worship sent them to gaol to be cared for, until such time as they may be shipped.

MISTAKE OF MR. HOLMOWTHY

The three prisoners in this case were brought up, and again remanded, without any evidence being taken.

Mr. Hazeland appeared as heretofore.

SHANGHAI.

Dates from the above port extend to the 2nd instant. There is little news of importance. The *Daily News* states that 86-64 shares of the *Prince Kung* have been sold privately for $7,000, the captain retaining his 8-64 shares; and the *Recorder* is informed that the *Pedomg* has been purchased by the Japanese, but the amount for which she has been sold has not yet transpired, and that the steamer *Williamette*, belonging to the Chinese Government, and lately employed in the transport of treasure to Nintiang, has been sold to Amoi, a native trader, for the sum of Tls. 3,000.

The German Amateurs of the Club Concordia have given another of their entertainments, which appears to have been a thorough success. *Herr Hercules*, whose powers are known to many of the German residents in Hongkong, appears to have even surpassed his usual talents.

PEKIN.

(North-China Daily News.)

We are glad to hear that Sir Rutherford Alcock has received a despatch from Lord Clarendon, approving Mr. Medhurst's action in the Yangchow affair, up to the time of his first withdrawal. This, of course, comprises approval also, of the conditions insisted on. It remains to be seen what view the new Ministry will take of the subsequent measures adopted in pursuance of this policy, and to enforce these conditions. Unfortunately, the latter part of the correspondence will have fallen into their hands; but it is hardly possible that, with the full facts before him, Lord Clarendon will arrive at a different decision from his predecessor.

A rumour has come down than an Imperial edict has been issued, prohibiting the cultivation of the poppy in China, which is likely to be strictly enforced. We give it just as it has reached us, as the merest rumour; but, even as such it will be a very startling announcement amongst opium dealers at this port, and probably cause an advance in rates for opium.

JAPAN.

Dates from Yokohama by the mail steamer are to the 24th ulto. The most startling news is that of the loss of the P.M.S.S. *Hermann*, of which the captain's account, extracted from one of the Japan papers, is given elsewhere. A severe storm has swept over Yokohama, of which the following account appears in the *Japan Times*:—

On the night before (the 12th instant), a storm swept over Yokohama, which exceeded in violence anything of the sort that has been experienced in the settlement for a long time. The wind, which was from the southward, had been increasing steadily during the afternoon and evening, until between the hours of 10 and 11 P.M. when it blew a perfect hurricane, which continued with unabated fury till daylight next morning. Several vessels in the harbour dragged their anchors, but we believe without causing any damage, either to themselves or others. On shore, however, the effects of the storm were severely felt, tiles and shingles, bricks and mortar, hurling through the air in all directions. Several houses in the native town were blown down. In the Xth's Barracks a good deal of shingling was blown off the roofs, and many of the unfinished villas on the Bluff suffered considerably. Part of the roofing of the Theatre Corps Dramatique was blown completely away, and the building sustained other damage; in fact, in theatrical *parlance*, the storm nearly "brought down the house," altogether. In the morning, the wind shifted round to the northward and eastward, and though another blow was expected from that direction happily we escaped it. As we said during the night was off shore, but little seaport upon the harbour, which accounts for the shipping escaping damage. The port is very much crowded, and a heavy sea has been any one, certainly much mischief would have been done.

The Governor of Osaka has been cruelly murdered. The following account of the affair appears in the *Japan Gazette*:—

From Osaka we hear the sad news of the murder of the Japanese governor. He was a man of enlarged mind, having been in Europe for a long time;—and was appointed to Osaka as one of the most practical men that could be selected. The city would have benefitted greatly by his rule. There is great competition between the city itself and Kobé, which was opened as a port for Osaka. The longheaded governor saw the solid advantages to be derived by encouraging commerce, and has inaugurated public works to an extent that even at home would be considered vast. First, he has arranged that the course of the river, the bar of which has proved such a fatal jeonmy to foreigners, shall be changed, so as to make the city always approachable by water. He has encouraged the building of a dock, the estimated cost of which is upwards of two millions of dollars. He has provided for the establishment of an hospital, in which, whilst the sick are attended to, the young aspirants of the faculty may receive proper instruction from able European professors. He has sanctioned a railway between Osaka and Kobé, which will completed during this year. In fact, he has shown himself so thoroughly "up with the times," that we fear it will turn out that he has fallen a victim to his sagacity and zeal for his country's progress.

At Kobé, Ito Shunske, the governor, is another of the same stamp. Educated at King's College, London, he is strikingly in advance of any of the officers we have ever had in Yokohama; and if the government of the South, jealous of the immense advantages the old government derived from foreign trade at Yokohama, are desirous of directing it to their own neighbourhood, they could invent no better plan than that they have adopted in giving such men as Goto Shojiro to Osaka, and Ito Shunske to Kobé, and leaving us in the hands of such the-rough-ones obstructionists as those who now meddle over "foreign affairs" in Yedo and have.

The following items of general news are from the *Japan Times Overland Mail*:—

The *Swiftsbury* has come down from Hiogo date since we last wrote, but has brought us no news of much importance. Enomoto's gunboats cobbing fast. He has commenced levying contributions upon the country people, which does not add to his popularity in Hakodate. Mr. Butzow, late Russian Consul there, has come down *en route* to Pekin, where he is to take the post of *chargé d'affaires*.

From Osaka and Hiogo our latest dates are to the 18th instant, with nothing of particular moment. Mr. Russell Robertson, who has made himself very popular at Hiogo as Vice-Consul, comes up here to take the place of Dr. Willis, late Vice Consul for the Yokohama and Yedo district, the latter being temporarily detached from the Consular service to take charge of a Japanese hospital in Yedo.

His Majesty the Mikado arrived in Kioto on February 3rd, and was married on the 9th.

We have had here an unusually quiet fortnight. On Sunday last a coloured sailor, boatswain of the *Thalia*, was mortally stabbed, in or near the Yoshiwara, by another seaman, who has not yet been arrested. He died the next morning. The Japanese new year holidays have of course, nearly stopped business, which can hardly be said to have recommenced. Banks have made holiday, and Yedo has been full of visitors. At this period of the year some districts of the city are very beautiful, being full of plum trees, in their spring bravery of silver blossom. We have had an unusually mild winter, and the trees have bloomed very early this year.

Among the passengers homeward bound by the present mail is Lady Parkes. Yokohama society loses in this lady, one who has for some time admirably sustained the difficult part of its leader, and dispensed the hospitality of Her Majesty's Representative with grace and dignity. And Lady Parkes has done more than this—she has ascended Fusiyama. M. Ernest M. Satow, of the British Legation, also goes home by this opportunity, on leave. At this period his absence will be seriously felt; his knowledge of the country and its politics, its people and its language, is extensive and accurate. It is not too much to say that no other foreigner now living has seen so much of Japan, or has an intimate and critical a knowledge of its dialects and literature, as Mr. Satow.

NAGASAKI.

(Shanghai Recorder)

This port seems to have been shaken to its centre by a few "misguided" Chinese having fired off crackers during the new year holidays. Fully four fifths of two numbers of the *Nagasaki Times* are filled with the subject, and we have a letter from our correspondent on the same matter, but it is much too long to print. It seems that the Portuguese Consul granted permission to a certain Chinaman to fire crackers on a certain day, and the *Times* (official organ of H.B.M's Consulate) is very strong against his unwarrantable action in, as it alleges, opposing all the other Consuls. It turned out, however, to have been not the Portuguese but the British Consul who opposed his colleagues, all of them, except Mr. Flowers, having agreed to grant permission to fire crackers on that day. The British Consul, notwithstanding this, sent a constable and had several Chinese arrested and taken to the Custom House, when they were fined $10 each. On this the other Consuls went in a body to the Japanese authorities and represented the state of affairs, when the fines were returned to the Chinese. Some Europeans took a fire engine and played their water into three of the Chinese houses, damaging a considerable quantity of goods. The Consuls, we learn, have appealed to their ministers regarding the affair.

LOSS OF THE P.M.S.S. "HERMANN".

The following is the account, given by the captain, of this sad accident:—

A full statement of the particulars of the loss of the "Hermann," by Captain Nessell.

I was ordered to take command of the *Hermann* as soon as the vessel should return to Yokohama from Yedo, and did so on the morning of the 13th inst. There were then on board 350 passengers and a crew of 80 men.

The heavy south-westerly gales which had prevailed for 24 hours previously had broken, the wind began to veer N. and the rise in the barometer indicating better weather, I proceeded to sea at noon, bound to the Straits of Saugaru. Outside of Cape Sagami we encountered a heavy south-westerly swell, but wind was fair from N. and E. I passed the breakers on Mila ledge, about six miles distant, at half-past four o'clock, and then steered N. E. by E. half E., one hour; then E. N. E. till seven o'clock; then ste red E. by N. half N., the ship making about seven knots per hour against the strong wind. These courses should have taken the ship about eight miles from the land at the point at Kawatsu, but I supposed the heavy S. W. sea would set her on shore, and, therefore, thought the distance from land might be about five miles. The 2nd officer was stationed forward in the bow on the look out. The night was extremely dark and hazy so that I saw the land very indistinctly and altered the ship's course to the eastward in the manner related above, to give the point, (distance about 75 miles from Yokohama) a wide berth, the native pilot on board having told me that there was a reef off the point, but this danger was not indicated on the chart, nor mentioned in the sailing directions. I steered this course, E. by N. ½ N. from seven till nine o'clock. I had then no apprehension whatever, and had just been at the chart and decided to examine the course made by it, and was going forward again when I discovered breakers off the port bow and immediately after saw them ahead. I then ordered the helm "hard a port." The ship at once answered the movement of the helm, but was caught by a tremendous roller, and thrown with great violence upon the rocks, striking first forward and then aft when raised by the following swells. Successive seas breaking upon the ship with great violence forced her over the reef, the water filling as she passed inside, and the vessel thus drifted inshore, the sea breaking outside of her till she had settled fairly upon the bottom and to the hurricane deck; this was about one o'clock a.m. She had by this time broken open amidships, the bows were stove in, and the hull more or less broken by the foremast. I had concluded at once after striking it was safest for the people to cling to the wreck, as no boat could live in the breakers about us, and I ordered that the boats should not be lowered. The life preservers, of which there were a great number, were got up, and the passengers shown their use. I threw up some signal rockets, when the people on shore lighted fires in a little bay on which the town of Kawatsu is situated. At 10.30 o'clock the port boats were swept away, two of them being in tow and swamped alongside. Some of the crew jumped into the third one and got clear of the wreck, but were overwhelmed close by. Soon after, I had the starboard boats lowered, which were quickly filled with people. Two of these they cut the painter, and attempted to reach shore, but were swamped at a short distance from the wreck. The third and last boat cast adrift from the vessel, but remained under cover of the wreck afforded from the breakers, for about half an hour, and then went in towards the shore. As the wreck settled deeper, the people came upon the hurricane-deck. Between midnight and one o'clock, one of the funnels fell upon the king-rods, and thence, rolling forward upon the hurricane-deck, broke it up amidships, causing the loss of life to a number of people collected there. Before the chimney fell the foremast had gone. The sea reaching the hurricane-deck, broke up the whole of it forward, but the after-portion floated off almost entire, and remained in the way alongside, and served to save forty or fifty people. We then collected on the wheel-houses and in the rigging. The wind and sea moderated rapidly, the former veering to the northward and westward, and coming off land very cold and piercing. Some of the people were washed off by the sea, failed to save themselves on pieces of the floating wreck. The boats being mostly life-boats, although swamped, still floated, and were washed into the small bay by the surf, and those persons who clung to them were saved.

It is impossible for me to estimate the loss of life. The ship first struck the reef at 9 o'clock p.m., and had not settled so that the sea reached and broke up the hurricane-deck, till about 10 o'clock a.m., and those who were swept away in the various casualties happening in the interval, were carried inshore by the surf, while floated by the life-preservers, or by clinging to portions of the wreck. We suffered greatly from the cold, and some of those in the rigging probably unable to endure it.

At daylight I found the wreck lay about three-quarters of a mile from shore, and near the bay mentioned above. The ship struck about a quarter of a mile further out, but was swept by the heavy rolling seas to the spot where she finally settled. I had little hopes, from the appearance of the coast, that those who went in the boats during the night were saved, but, as it afterwards proved, many of them were. About one hundred people still remained on the wreck. Soon one of the ship's boats and a number of native craft came off from shore. The latter would not come alongside, so that I was obliged to transfer the people from the wreck to them by means of the life-boat. When, however, the weather moderated still more, the Japanese boats came alongside and helped to take off the balance of the people. At 2 p.m. all those who remained by the ship through the night were safely landed on shore.

Before closing, I would remark that the behaviour of the Japanese was heroic. When the ship struck, these brave men, suddenly roused from sleep by the awful crash, seemed to comprehend their situation in a moment; no stampede, no disorder. From the first they were quiet and cool, retaining wonderfully their presence of mind, and calmly awaiting commands from their leader. This officer formed them on deck, called the roll, and, after consulting with me as to the proper course to be pursued, ordered his men to stay by the ship, on hearing which they retired to their rooms, where they remained till driven from them by the water rising in the vessel. None of them attempted to leave the ship without permission from the officer in command, and I noticed that those who determined to try swimming ashore, stripped themselves, with the exception of a belt about the waist, and, fastening to this their swords, jumped into the sea.

On arriving at Kawatsu, we mustered 58, officers and crew, the first officer, a water sender, and twenty of the crew having been lost. We walked sixty miles through the country, meeting everywhere with kindness, and, reaching the head of Yedo Bay, obtained the boats which brought us to Yokohama.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

Yesterday evening the steamer *Clan Alpine*, Captain Hutchison, arrived from Calcutta, bringing telegrams to the 18th February:—

LONDON, 9th February (Afternoon).

The Manchester market is heavy, and prices are unchanged.

7lb. Shirtings	9s. 3d.
8lb. "	11s. 0d.
40s Twist	1s. 3½d.

LONDON, 11th February (Noon).

The death of Mr. Bell, the Conservative Member for the city of London, is announced.

LONDON, 11th February (Afternoon).

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—

Reserve of Notes	£ 9,000,000
Bills Discount	16,500,000
Bullion	18,375,000

LONDON, 12th February (Noon).

The Liverpool Cotton market is quiet.

Weekly Cotton Report:—

Total Sales	69,000	bales.
" Sarats	27,000	"
" Imports	68,000	"
" Surats	8,000	"
Stock	295,000	"
Surats	99,000	"

Fair Dhollerah 10½.

LONDON, February 12th (Morning).

Count Walewski, bearing the adhesion of Greece to the protocol of the Conference, left Athens on Monday. The Roumanian Chambers have been dissolved, on account of a factious opposition to the Government. Advices received from Canada state that Whelan, the assassin of Darcy McGee, has been executed at Ottawa.

LONDON, February 12th (Noon).

Telegraphic advices from Spain state that the Cortes have been opened. General Serrano, in his opening speech, glorifies the Provisional Government, and recommends the consolidation of reform, economy, and harmony in the connection of the services. A grand banquet was given yesterday, at the Fishmongers' Hall, to the Ministers. Mr. Gladstone, in the course of a speech he made, pledged his word that he would lose no time in bringing in the disestablishment measures, so as to satisfy the expectation of those Ministers who consider the Irish question paramount.

LONDON, February 12th (Noon).

The *Daily News* urges that rewards should be granted for service in the Commissariat Department during the Abyssinian Campaign. The English press are again discussing the Central Asia question.

PERA, February 13th, 0.20 P.M.

Advices have been received here stating that Fuad Pacha died at Nice, on the evening of 8th February. The Vice-Roy's deputy, who was present, that previously to his having sold the land to Lin, it was his own private property, handed down to him from his remotest ancestors, and that no never heard till now that it was public property. It was now clear that the subordinate officers had been guilty of gross fabrication, and the Viceroy's deputy had not a word to say in defence. Mr. Sinclair, therefore, at once informed the authorities that as they still refused to stamp the deeds, and there being no reasonable grounds for this refusal, he would order the property to be resumed for the public, and to protect the workmen in case of necessity. On the afternoon of his arrival (15th ultimo), Lieut. Keppel, with three of his officers, accompanied by Mr. Wolfe, as interpreter, in case of necessity, landed in the village, and proceeded quietly to the proposed site for the building. When they arrived at the place, they discovered that the workmen had been beaten off the ground, and had their tools, clothes, and some cash forcibly taken from them. The entire party at once returned to the village, and Lieutenant Keppel demanded the immediate return of the tools, &c. Lieutenant Keppel at once attempted to arrest him, when the mob rushed in upon him, and attacked his little party with volleys of stones. The Lieutenant, in self-defence, now ordered his officers to fire, and first to discharge their revolvers in the air. The mob seeing that the officers were armed with revolvers, kept back a little, but continued throwing the stones. At length there was another general rush of the mob on the officers, and one man was seen with a spear rushing on Lieutenant Keppel to stab him, when he was fired on by one of the officers, and wounded on the shoulder. This man died of his wounds in a few days after. This was the only life that was lost in this affair. The firing now ceased, and the more reasonable part of the villagers exhorted the crowd to desist from any further attacks on the officers. The little party, however, retired to the boats under a heavy shower of stones from the mob. At 10 a.m., next morning, Lieutenant Keppel again landed with a small party of his men and officers, and demanded the workmen's tools, which were collected and given up, and Lieut. Keppel and his men returned at once to the *James*. Mr. Wolfe now learned from the villagers, that the party who attacked the party of officers on the previous evening, was chiefly composed of men from the Tung-tan village, sent thither by the ex-prefect and gentry for the express purpose of opposition, and in order to excite the villagers more readily to take part. This ex-prefect sent a present of a pig, and some wine to feast them, and some of his own family were present to encourage and lead them on. As it was now manifest that the ex-prefect was at the bottom of all this trouble, it was determined that Lieutenant Keppel should proceed with the *James* to this gentleman's village, and bind to a good behaviour, and compel him to withdraw his opposition, and go security for the good conduct of the surrounding townships, which he had previously excited into opposition by his inflammatory threats. Lieutenant Keppel at once proceeded to the place, landed his men, and taken possession of the town

the property, the firmness and prompt action of Mr. Sinclair have brought the matter to a satisfactory settlement with the Viceroy, and a proclamation has been issued throughout those aforesaid townships, setting forth the treaty rights of British subjects, and warning the inhabitants against any future violation of any of these rights, under pain of the extreme rigour of the law.

SETTLEMENT OF THE FORMOSA DIFFICULTIES.

(From a Correspondent of the "Daily Press.")

In a previous communication I informed you of the final acceptance on the part of Tseng, the special commissioner, of all the conditions demanded by Her Majesty's consul, Mr. Gibson, in connection with the prolonged outrages in Formosa. This acceptance was only arrived at after the forcible seizure, on the part of Her Majesty's gunboats, of Kori Telandia and the adjoining village of Anping, positions, the possession of which, placed Tai-wan-foo, the chief city of the island, completely at the mercy of any assailing British force. I have now the satisfaction of informing you of the fulfilment of all the conditions; so complete a fulfilment as to permit of the commissioner returning to the mainland, leaving no outstanding causes of difference between the authorities in Formosa and Her Majesty's consul. This result might have been arrived at somewhat sooner, but for the recusant character of the Formosa Mandarins, who have placed as many obstacles as they possibly could in the way of a result so disastrous to themselves, as the issue of this conflict has proved to be. Various attempts were made by them to screen their chief assistants and agents from punishment, by substituting bought men in their room; but the falsehood was exposed by competent witnesses, in the presence both of commissioner and consul, and the real men were finally produced, and had severally to meet their various punishments. Still later, attempts were made to set at large prisoners under sentence of punishment from Formosa, but this also was exposed, and the parties constrained severally to meet their allotted punishment. Whatever in his heart he thought of them, the Imperial commissioner did not fail on several occasions to assert that the Formosa magistracy was rotten to the core.

The following in brief are the results which have been obtained:—

1.—The payment of the various mercantile and missionary indemnities. Regarding these indemnities, it was very evident, when the commissioner entered upon the negotiations, that he believed the solution of the whole affair to be in the part, or, if necessary, the full payment of these indemnities. He was evidently taken aback by the contempt with which such solution was regarded, and has been made to perceive throughout that the money part of the question was an altogether secondary affair, as compared with the proper and thorough establishment of righteous relations between the local government of Formosa and foreigners, in all matters stipulated in the treaty.

2.—The total abolition of the Camphor Monopoly by proclamation throughout the island, and by the withdrawal of all the inland customs and custom-houses in connection with the management of the Monopoly.

3.—The proper punishment of the officer of the inland customs, who attempted to murder Mr. Hardie, of Tait and Co., of this city.

4.—A satisfactory settlement of all the claims of Messrs. Ellas and Co.'s compradore, against the Taiwan local Government. These claims were based on the fact of outrages on himself his family, and his property, for doing his proper work as the compradore of a foreign hong.

5.—The punishment of the ringleaders in the various outrages on mission property and Christians Chinese.

6.—A satisfactory proclamation establishing for Formosa all treaty rights in connection with the teaching of Christianity.

7.—The dismissal of those mandarins who have been particularly bold in their contempt of repeated remonstrances both on the part of Her Majesty's consul and Her Majesty's naval officers, that the treaty obligations should be respected. The three most important of these officials were the Governor of the Island, and the district magistrates of Pungshan and Lokkang.

The fruits of these recent proceedings we are now enjoying. Both merchants and missionaries are allowed to proceed with their work in peace. The latter have been allowed to return to Taiwan-foo, a treaty port, whence they were driven by Ting Tsoon four years ago. A foreigner now meets with ordinary respect, instead of the old shouts of obscene ridicule. The authorities are duly respectful to all communications from H.B. Consulate, and there is every reason to believe that the state of things may exist for a considerable time. I believe that your readers will be glad to learn what has been accomplished through the determination of our own authorities to enforce a proper fulfilment of treaty obligations. I beg to subscribe myself,

Taiwan-foo, Formosa, 12th Feb., 1869.

PEKING.

(North China Daily News.)

The news from Peking informs us that Mr. Ross Browne quite coincides with the Chinese Government in declaring all mining to be illegal, and that he has decided that one of the missionaries at Tungchowfoo, who bought a piece of land, and who dug in it to see whether there was any coal under the surface, had no right to make such researches. The case will be made public, as the Rev. gentleman has been persecuted by the literati of Tungchowfoo, and demands compensation. The American Minister seems to have followed the times; and now all goes as merry as a marriage-bell at Peking, about the question of mines. The hopes entertained of Mr. Ross Browne's enlightened energy making itself felt on the Chinese Government, seem premature. It is to be hoped that some circumstances may transpire to modify the conclusion that report awards in this matter.

SHANGHAI.

Dates from the above port during the past fortnight are as follows: per *Duplex*, arrived on the 24th February, to 19th February; per *Phase*, arrived on 28th February, to 24th February; per *Suwonada*, arrived March 4th, to 27th February; per *Malacca*, arrived March 8th, to the 4th instant.

The Customs Returns for the last quarter, of 1868, have been published. They show a large increase in most articles of commerce. The imports of Grey Shirtings at Shanghai was 900,000 pieces against 528,000, during the same period of 1867; of T-Cloths 490,000 against 153,000; of Gambles 35,000 against 13,000; and of British and Australian Coal 89,000 tons, against 29,000; of Iron 52,000 piculs against 17,000. Lustres show a falling off from 87,000 pieces to 61,000. Tea and Silk are at pretty nearly the same figures.

A meeting of the members of the Shanghai Club took place on the 18th instant. The Working Account showed a profit of $2,300 since the Club was re-opened on its new footing, in September, 1867. The receipts from subscribers during that period have been $15,985, showing an average of 215 members. Messrs. J. Ashton, B. B. Baker, Hitch, J. J. Miller, and Rowley Miller, were elected for the new committee.

The free-Temperance Society's Lecture was given on the 26th ultimo, in a well attended house. Two foreigners and a Chinaman have died from inhaling carbonic acid gas, from charcoal, on board a lorcha called the *Ruchang*.

The following items are from the *Shanghai Recorder*:—

A Home paper reproduces a letter from the *Hamilton Advertiser*, concerning the *Cupid*, the vessel that some time ago arrived under such mysterious circumstances at Hakodati. The gentleman, Mr. Baracondegui—the owner, not the *captain*, as stated by the Chinese to the officers of the U.S.S. *Iroquois*—who had escaped ashore had turned up. After travelling along the coast for about 50 miles, he and the Chinaman, who kept by him, arrived at a small settlement, where they found provisions, and remained till a whaler hove in sight. Mr. Baracondegui was offered a passage to Honolulu by Captain Hamilton of the *Cambrese*, and his servant was taken on board the *Hercules* for that place.

We are credibly informed that the S.S.N. Co., have determined on having a large iron river steamer for the Yangtsze built at Glasgow and that Captain Dierbourne, sometime of the S.S. *Yangtsze* has been entrusted with the supervision. This is most satisfactory, after the reiterated assurances we have heard that if the English could build sea-going vessels it was reserved for their Transatlantic cousins to rule the internal waters.

We have to record the departure within the last week of three of the oldest steamer captains trading from this port. Captain Dyage late of the *Yum-tsze-fei*, left by the last mail, on behalf of the North China Company, to bring out a steamer for the Northern Trade. The vessel is now being built under the supervisitendence of Capt Blow, who, our readers will remember, was a long time in China, and employed latterly by Messrs. Trautmann & Co. as their steamer manager. Capt Macqueen, who for the eight years has been in command of steamers leading on the Yangtsze, left by the *Costa Rica* for England. He lately commanded the S. S. N. Co.'s Steamer *Hirado*, but it appears that the opposition company require another steamer for the Yangtsze trade, and he has been selected to proceed home to get one built. This seems to be very unfair to Captains Howlett and Hutchison, who have both been in the U. S. N. S. Co. since its formation, and we should think are as well able to superintend the building of a steamer for this trade as the gentleman who has superseded them. Their new steamer is we understand, to be built on the same principle as the *Hirado*, but of iron, the builders will no doubt, instead of being placed on the guards, be in the hold of the vessel, which the passage from England would, we think, necessitate. By the French mail Capt. Gibbon, formerly in command of the S. S. *Addaya*, and latterly of the *Dragon*, has also, we hear, been deputed by private firm to superintend the building of a steamer similar to the *Dragon*, for the Tientsin trade, which may be expected to arrive early next year. He will be succeeded in command of the *Dragon* by Mr. Harvey, chief officer of the *Nanzing*.

We hear that two consular and two police constables are to proceed by next steamer to Chefoo, to bring back the prisoners, who were arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the robbery from the Russian ship *Amur*. The arrest of the prisoners, seven in number, was due to the circumstance of one of them, who was apprehended while attempting to pawn the captain's watch, giving information of his accomplices. Mr. Markham at once obtained the assistance of a body of marines, and in an incredibly short time had the others arrested.

H.B.M.S. *Salamis* has arrived with Admiral Sir Henry Keppal on board.

The *North China Daily News* learns that a course of lectures, under the auspices of the Shanghai Temperance Society, has been arranged, the programme at present standing as follows:—Feb. R. A. Jamieson, Esq., M.D., subject "Reading." March, Revd. G. W. Sylo, "The countries we visit." April, J. D. MacGowan, Esq., M.D. "Chemistry of the Skin." May, Rev. C.H. Butcher, M.A. "Biography."

HANKOW.

The *Recorder's* correspondent states that the Customs' Amateur Dramatic Corps gave their first performance this season at the Olympic Theatre, on the 9th instant, when a crowded audience, including the *elite* of the community, rewarded the actors by a well merited appreciation of the histrionic abilities displayed by several of the Corps. Mr. St. Clair was particularly happy in his rendering of Mr. Ezekiel Yearner, in the farce of "Bowled Out," especially in the well known line "What is to become of us all," which met with a rapturous reception. The scenery and musical arrangements were all that could be desired.

The following notification has been issued by H.B.M's Acting Consul:—"The undersigned has to notify the British residents that he has been requested by the Intendent of Circuit to desire his fellow countrymen to remain within the limits of the foreign settlement for the next two days, owing to the arrival here of the Braves, consequent on the breaking up of the camp at Leang Yang Foo. The Intendant also particularly requests that British subjects will keep away from the neighbourhood of the Lake outside the Defence wall during the above mentioned period, in order to avoid disturbance."

A correspondent of the *Daily News*, however, accuses H.B.M's consul of having been "sold" by the Taotuai, as enquiry and research led to the discovery that no Braves were in the neighbourhood.

CHEFOO.

A correspondent of the *North China Daily News* writes that there had been rumours of an intended massacre of foreigners at new year time. Of course, these were discredited, but H.B.M. gunboat *Insolent* moved close in to the town in case of emergency. Missionaries had heard the same rumour in the interior of the province, and have found every door closed against them.

JAPAN.

(North China Herald.)

The *Japan Times* says a force of 30,000 men is being organised to be sent against the traders, directly the weather permits. The withdrawal of the neutrality notification places unlimited means of transport at the disposal of the Japanese Government; and the sale to it of the steam ram *Stonewall* gives it a man-of-war, which is alone capable of contending with the four vessels that, only, the Tokugawa retainers out of the sight with which they started.

An Osaka paper says that preparations for altering the direction of the river bed at that port are fast being pushed on. "The whole of the course intended to be taken by the river is marked out by little flags. The project seems stupendous enough. To turn a river's bed some ten miles from its original course is a Herculean task, and were we in any other country, but Japan, we should almost expect to see the whole affair result in the Bankruptcy Court ere its completion; but in this country of cheap labour we have only hope left us—so we hope it will succeed. After the course of the river has been changed, they intend building a breakwater on each side of the Osaka bar, so as to form a perfect harbour for ships, and we trust that ere long we may see noble vessels riding at anchor in the port of the commercial metropolis of Japan."

CHINESE "REVENUE CRUISERS."

The following correspondence has passed between the Chamber of Commerce and the Hon. J. Gardiner Austin, Colonial Secretary, with regard to the exactions on the trade of this port:—

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

10th February, 1869.

To the HON. J. GARDINER AUSTIN, *Colonial Secretary*, Hongkong.

SIR,—The Chamber of Commerce has been pressed to bring the subject of the exactions made upon opium, when leaving the colony, before the notice of His Excellency Sir Richard Graves McDonnell, K.C.B., and although feeling that the matter is a delicate one to deal with—the conditions imposed upon the article being so totally different from those prescribed, even in the Treaty between Great Britain and China, as attaching to all other articles of Foreign Import—yet the Committee, feeling that the action taken by the mandarins in this immediate neighbourhood, as set forth by a gentleman representing an Indian Firm largely interested in the opium trade of this Colony, cannot, if persisted in, leave any other effect than that of nullifying to a great extent, the advantages which Hongkong would otherwise possess as a *free* port, make free to petition His Excellency, to bring the question to the notice of the Chinese Authorities, with urgent request that the grievances complained of may be removed.

It is stated that an exaction of $125 per chest is levied under the head of the *Lekin* tax in addition to which, with the aid of cruisers and Custom Houses established in close proximity to the Island, another tax of $16 (equivalent to $22 per picul), is further exacted. Such proceedings being allowed, and the fact that trading junks are subject to be overhauled as soon as they leave the harbour itself, it must be acknowledged, places this Colony in a worse trading position than any of the Treaty Ports.

In substantiation of the statements above referred to, the Chamber have been furnished with a copy of a memorial addressed to His Excellency some weeks since from a Chinese Hong, bearing upon the same subject, the contents of which will doubtless be fresh in the memory of His Excellency, and to which, therefore, it is needless now to revert.

Feeling that the trade of the colony is thus being hampered in one of its most important branches, in what cannot be otherwise termed an unwarrantable manner, the Committee of the Chamber would urgently request the prompt interference of His Excellency, in a matter affecting so closely the welfare of the Colony over which he presides.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) W. J. BRYANS,

Chairman.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

17th February, 1869.

SIR,—I have submitted to His Excellency Sir Richard Graves MacDonnell, your letter of the 10th instant, and am directed to state in reply, that nearly all the points adverted to in your communication have been already brought to the notice of the Chinese authorities, through the medium of Her Majesty's Consul at Canton. It is already several weeks since the Acting Registrar-General was directed by His Excellency to proceed to Canton, accompanied by the witnesses required to prove some of the outrages which were then being frequently inflicted on the persons and cargos of legitimate, peaceful traders in Chinese vessels clearing from this port.

The result of the investigation thus held at Canton, at the instance of His Excellency, has been to substantiate, even to the satisfaction of the Chinese authorities, the reality and serious extent of the outrages in question.

Under those circumstances, it is satisfactory to find that the Viceroy has already taken active measures to terminate the unjust and harrassing system of squeezing, frequently accompanied by violence, which had been practised on native traders from this colony; and that he has not only caused the withdrawal of the improper notification by the Customs in November last, but has also issued a fresh notification of a stringent character, in favour of legitimate trade.

Copies of that document, and of the covering despatch of Consul Robertson are now enclosed for the information of the Chamber of Commerce, which will see that, so far as the Viceroy's Proclamation goes, a considerable step in advance has been attained, although much more is required to secure legitimate trade in British manufactures from the recurrence of similar exactions.

At the same time, the Chamber must remember that neither Her Majesty's Government nor this, except in the event of fresh treaty rights being conceded, can interfere to prevent the Chinese authorities from levying further exactions on opium, which has once passed into the hands of Chinese traders, though the right to levy such increased tax on opium in British vessels bound to treaty ports, or in Chinese vessels chartered by British merchants to those ports, is open to question, and is a subject which occupies the attention of Her Majesty's Government.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) J. GARDINER AUSTIN,

Colonial Secretary.

W. J. BRYANS, Esquire,

Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce.

BRITISH CONSULATE,

Canton, February 8th, 1869.

SIR,—Referring to your despatches No. 622 of the 30th December, and No. 40 of the 22nd January last, respecting the seizure of a Hongkong Licenced Boat, by vessels which, the petitioner states, assumed the character of Chinese revenue cruisers, and a notification issued in November last by the Superintendent of Customs, I have the honor to acquaint you that I have been in communication with the Authorities on the subject, and that as my requests the proclamation in question has been withdrawn, and another substituted. A copy of the latter, in original and translation, I now enclose, from which Sir Excellency the Governor will see that, subject to existing regulations with regard to the levy of duties, the search of vessels by Customs' cruisers at sea is forbidden, and measures will be taken to apprehend and punish those who falsely assume the character of such.—I have, &c.,

(Signed) D. B. ROBERTSON,

Consul.

The Hon. J. GARDINER AUSTIN,

Colonial Secretary, Hongkong.

PROCLAMATION.

The Viceroy of the Two Kwang Provinces, &c., &c., YUI; and the Superintendent of Maritime Customs for Kwang-tung, SHIH; issue a stringent prohibition.

Whereas sea-going vessels belonging to various ports of the province are engaged at Hongkong in the transportation of foreign merchandize, which they carry in all directions to supply the market, a portion of these pay duty at the Central Custom-House at Canton, and others at the branch Custom House at Swatow;

The track pursued is left to the convenience of those engaged in the trade, with the restriction only, that evasion of search and other practices connected with smuggling are forbidden. Tonnamoh, also, as the branch Custom House (at Swatow) is subordinate to the jurisdiction of the Central Office, the administration, although seemingly divided, is in reality one and the same. As regards the collections made at the out ports, and the registration and surrender of permits at these places, neither rules nor rules are in existence, and smuggling is strictly prohibited. The clerks and underlings employed are equally prohibited against practising illegal exactions; all of which has in times past been notified by proclamations now on record. It has of late been ascertained that certain evil-disposed persons have falsely assumed the character of cruisers in the Customs' service, and have stopped trading vessels at sea; levying exactions from them at their own caprice; exciting thereby alarm among those interested in the said vessels, and causing a stoppage of navigation, to the great detriment of the mercantile community. Such conduct is deserving of the severest reprobation. The Viceroy and Superintendent of Customs have now, accordingly, decided in concert upon stringent measures for the seizure of the guilty persons, and the complete eradication of their manœuvres. The Customs at present employ no steamers, and the guardhouses appertaining to this department, do not make cruises at sea for the purpose of smugglers, general orders being issued to the guard boats attached to the various offices, directing them to cruise exclusively in the vicinity of their respective stations, and forbidding their putting to sea to search for smugglers. This measure is adopted in order that the false may be distinguishable from the true, and the capture (of vessels sailing under a false character) may be facilitated. The Superintendent of Customs has further withdrawn and cancelled his proclamation issued in November last, with reference to the employment of steam cruisers for the pursuit of smugglers, whilst the Viceroy has issued orders to the commanders of the steam cruisers to search for and to apprehend the vagabonds who have falsely assumed the character of preventive employes on board vessels of various discriptions, who, on being seized, will be brought to condign punishment. In addition hereto, this proclamation is further issued. Wherefore it is hereby notified to all persons for their information. Do yo henceforward pursue your respective callings in peace, and carefully avoid infractions of the law, and mischievous proceedings. If, after this, there still be evil-disposed persons who fraudulently assume the character of cruisers under the Superintendent's Customs' flag, and stop trading vessels for the purpose of levying exactions, they are (hereby declared as) differing in no respect from pirates, and they shall be visited without fail, when seized and brought to justice, with the utmost penalty of the law. The execution of the law causes upon this, our warning, and no leniency shall be shewn. Let all tremblingly obey. A special proclamation.

Dated February 6th, 1869 (Tung-chih, 7th year, 12th month, 25th day).

Translated by

(Signed) WM. FRED. MAYERS.

(True Copy)

(Signed) A. FRASER,

Assistant.

(True Copies)

(Signed) J. GARDINER AUSTIN,

Colonial Secretary.

"LOSS OF THE "MADEIRA."

The total loss has to be announced, on the 28th of February, of the North German barque *Madeira*, which went on shore on the Pratas Shoals at a quarter to twelve on that day. The *Madeira* was a fine barque, 450 tons register, and belonged to Messrs. A. J. Hertz and Sons, of Hamburg, commanded by Captain J. Schnabagen. She left this port on the 23rd of February. On the 24th the *Madeira* did not make much way, only getting a little distance outside the Ly-ee-moon passage. On the 25th February the vessel boat up the coast, with the wind about N.N. moderate. On the 26th, towards the end of the day, made Chelang Point, and at half past six in the evening, tacked and bid over to the E.S.E. under full sail. At this time the wind and sea increased, until at last there were two reefs in the topsails taken in. On the 27th, at six in the morning, there was a stiff breeze from the N.E., with moderate sea. At six o'clock on the evening of that day, the wind and sea increased considerably, and at eight o'clock P.M., the weather was much the same. On this day (the 27th) at noon, the reckoning made the vessel to have passed about 25 miles to windward of the Ho-sik shoals, a shoal some miles to the N.E. of the Pratas. At half-past eleven o'clock p.m. on that day, the vessel went on shore. At the time the vessel struck, the first officer was on watch, and the first intimation that was given of the approaching danger was a sight of the breakers about two ships' lengths off. The first officer called to the man at the wheel to put his helm hard a-lee, but it was too late, for before the vessel could pay round, she struck heavily, and gradually worked on to the rocks. Shortly after the ship struck, she heeled over on the starboard side, and was soon firmly fixed on the rocks, the sea making a clean breach over her. The captain believed at first, that he was on the Ho-sik Shoal, and, therefore, have some cargo overboard, but it was useless, for on sounding, being taken, the pumps marked more than ten feet of water in the hold, while there was the same depth of water outside by the lead. Not many minutes after the bark got ashore the main-deck began to split and heave up, and under the circumstances which the ship was placed, and the captain seeing no chance of saving her, he determinated to leave her. So at four in the morning of the 28th February, the boats were safely got out, and captain, officers, and the whole of the crew went away in safety, the last view of the bark showing her with all spars standing, but lying much over to the starboard side. After much trouble and danger of the Pratas Shoals were got over by six o'clock that morning (28th Feb.) and the Island was reached at nine o'clock. On arriving at the Island the first officer and two men went about to try and find a further supply of water, inasmuch as the quantity brought away from the ship was very small. Several Fishhouses were visited, but they turned out to be empty, and therefore no water could be found. It was determined to leave the Island. At one o'clock on the same day (28th February), the boats were manned and shoved off, the course, being so laid as to make Hongkong. Moderate weather was experienced, and at noon on the 2nd instant, when two days in the boats, the North German barque *Juno*, bound from Liverpool to Hongkong, hove in sight, picked up all hands, and conveyed them safely to this port. Captain Schnabagen expresses much gratitude to Captain Lyson of the *Juno*, for his courtesy and kindness after picking him up at sea.

The boats of the *Madeira*, after leaving the Pratas on the first day, were in 21 North latitude, and on the second of March when picked up, the position was 21.49 N. lat, and 115.24 E. long. This reckoning was made by both captains, one in the boats and the other on board the *Juno*, and almost exactly corresponded, which shows that the chronometer of the *Madeira* could not have been in bad order.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

ALL amounts due to me on Hongkong Hotel account, between December 1st, 1868, and February 28th, 1869, are payable to Mr. C. LANGDON DAVIES, Public Accountant, who will sign my name, *Per pro.*, to such receipts.

All receipts for monies becoming due to me, on or after March 1st, and all orders for Goods, will be signed by myself.

LEE-A-FONG,

Contractor for the Hongkong Hotel.

144-472 Hongkong, 6th March, 1869.

THE Undersigned having formed a Copartnership, will in future conduct the ORIENTAL HOTEL, at this port, under the firm name of

GARDNER & Co.,

WM. GARDNER.

D. B. VINES.

1m 424 Macao, 1st March, 1869.

MR. S. H. DAVID is authorized to Sign our Firm per procuration from this date.

E. D. SASSOON & Co.

1m 423 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. GEORG WILHELM SCHWEMANN and of Mr. RUDOLPH HEINSEN in our firm ceased on the 31st December, 1867, and 31st December, 1868, respectively.

Mr. FERDINAND NISSEN and Mr. HEINRICH HOPPIUS have this day been admitted partners in our firm at Hongkong and in China, which now consists of Mr. GEORG THEODOR SIEMSSEN, Mr. WOLDEMAR NISSEN, Mr. ADOLPH JOOST, Mr. FERDINAND NISSEN and Mr. HEINRICH HOPPIUS.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

3m 4 Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself as a Public Accountant, Average Adjuster, and General Commission Agent.

C. LANGDON DAVIES.

tf 1243 Hongkong, 1st July, 1868.

NOTICE.

MR. LEONARDO NORONHA has been admitted a Partner in our firm from the 1st instant.

NORONHA & SONS.

tf 130 Hongkong, 14th January, 1869.

THE Undersigned hereby intimates that he has this day received the appointment of SURVEYOR TO FRENCH LLOYDS, under date of December 22nd, 1868.

ROBT. McMURDO.

tf 73 Hongkong, 11th January, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE Copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, carrying on business under the style and firm of BOWRA & Co., expired by lapse of time on 1st May last.

Either of the undersigned will sign the firm, in liquidation, from this date.

FREDERIC M. HARSANT.

G. A. F. NORRIS.

tf 1580 Hongkong, 1st October, 1868.

Referring to the above notice, the Stock in Trade, Goodwill, Fixtures, &c., of this old established business is offered for Sale.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM NEILSON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last.

Mr. TORIAS PIM, Mr. WILLIAM NISBET OLMSTED, and Mr. H. SEYMOUR GEARY, are authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.

OLYPHANT & Co.

tf 1901 Hongkong, 6th October, 1868.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. FREDERICK FEDDER in our firm ceases from this date.

H. D. BROWN & Co.

Amoy, 31st December, 1868.

MR. FRANCIS CHOMLEY is a partner in our firm, which from this date will be conducted under the name of BROWN & Co.

H. D. BROWN & Co.

3m 19 Amoy, 1st January, 1869.

OUR Firm at this port ceases at this date.

GROSSER & Co.,

In Liquidation.

1m 325 Nagasaki, 1st February, 1869.

I HAVE established myself at this port, as a GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT, under the style and firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.

GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.

Saigon, 20th December, 1867. [tf 50

NOTICE.

MR. C. J. H. SCHRÖDER is authorised to sign our firm per procuration from this date.

SCHWANBECK & THIEL.

tf 2248 Saigon, 14th November, 1868.

FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as Agent of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.

S. L. PHELPS,

Agent.

tf 1889 Hongkong, 15th August, 1867.

NOTICE.

MR. D. O. CLARK retires from our firm, and Mr. J. MURRAY FORBES and Mr. E. D. BARBOUR are admitted partners from this date.

RUSSELL & Co.

6m 12 China, 1st January, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES R. ROBERTSON and MR. HENRY W. DAVIS are authorized to sign our firm in China and Hongkong from this date.

BULL, PURDON & Co.

China, January 1st, 1869. [3m 1

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. JAMES BENFORD DEACON in our Firm ceased on the 31st December, 1868, and Mr. SIDNEY DEACON is this day admitted a partner.

DEACON & Co.

3m 14 Canton, 1st January, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. ROBERT CRAIG has this day been admitted a partner in our firm. Our partners at this date are Mr. THOMAS DEAS BOYD and Mr. ROBERT CRAIG.

BOYD & Co.

3m 92 Amoy, 1st January, 1869.

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For Ladies' Advertisement see to-morrow issue.

tf 463 Hongkong, 5th March, 1869.

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YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Secretaries and Agents of this Association, are prepared to issue Policies upon Marine Risks at current rates of premium. Policies can be made payable in London, New York, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hongkong, Foochow and Shanghai.
In addition to the usual brokerage this Association returns to the assured at each year of the close of each current year, fifteen (15) per cent. of the profits of the Company for that year, divided pro rata to the amount of premium paid by each policy-holder.
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November, 1862.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES against Fire on Buildings and Goods, at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 336 Hongkong, 7th February, 1867.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.

FOR Insuring Houses and other Buildings, Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Manufacturing and Farming Stock, Ships in Port, Harbours, or Dock, and the Cargoes of such Ships, also, Ships Building and Repairing; Barges and other Vessels on Navigable Rivers and Canals, and Goods on board such Vessels, throughout Great Britain and Ireland, and in FOREIGN COUNTRIES, FROM LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.
The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of $60,000 on any one First Class Risk.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, $500,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, and China for the above Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES at current rates.
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 1853 Hongkong, 10th August, 1867.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.

INCORPORATED 1859.

CAPITAL £1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks and issue Policies at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 1351 Hongkong, 7th June, 1867.

NOTICE.

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month but not exceeding 3 " ½ do. do.
Above 3 months but not exceeding 6 " ¾ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
A. G. HOGG & Co.,
Agents, Sun Fire Office
tf 676 Hongkong, 6th June, 1868.

Insurances.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE, INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST, A.D. 1720.

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The CORPORATION of the LONDON ASSURANCE have appointed Agents for the issue of Policies for Marine Assurance in INDIA and CHINA as under:—
Bombay—Messrs. EWART, LATHAM & Co.
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Calcutta—Messrs. MACKILLOP, STEWART & Co.
Hongkong—Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Shanghai—Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Foochow—Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Mauritius—Messrs. BREE BROTHERS & Co.
The undersigned are prepared to issue Policies of the CORPORATION of the LONDON ASSURANCE, payable either here, in LONDON, at any of the above-named Agencies, and also at
Melbourne, Victoria—
Messrs. DALGETY, BLACKWOOD & Co.
Launceston, Tasmania—
Messrs. DU CROZ, NICHOLS & Co.
Hobart Town—
Mr. LAVINGTON ROOLE.
Adelaide, S. Australia—
Messrs. HILDER, SMITH & Co.
Sydney, New S. Wales—
Messrs. FANNING, GRIFFITHS & Co.
Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand—
Messrs. DALGETY, RATTRAY & Co.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 146 Hongkong, 21st January, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $30,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf Hongkong, 24th August, 1864.

FORBES & Co.'S CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY,
AND
BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies, are prepared to accept risks on the usual terms.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf 399 Hongkong, 26th February, 1868.

DE OOSTERLING SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BATAVIA.

SAMARANG SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, SAMARANG.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, for the above-named Companies, are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks on the usual terms.
SIEMSSEN & Co.
tf 1676 Hongkong, 3rd August, 1868.

NOTICE.

NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding one month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above one month, and not exceeding three months ... do. do.
Above three months, and not exceeding six months ... do. do.
Above six months the full annual rate.
TURNER & Co.,
Agents.
tf 717 Hongkong, 13th April, 1868.

NOTICE.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
For one month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding three months. do. do.
Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months. do. do.
Above six months, the full annual rate.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents, Alliance Fire Assurance Company.
tf 678 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 471 Hongkong, 6th March, 1868.

AMICABLE INSURANCE OFFICE.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Insurance Office, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS, and issue Policies on any First-class Sailing Vessels or Steamers on the usual terms, payable in case of loss, in China, Singapore, Calcutta, Bombay or London.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.
tf Hongkong, 8th October, 1863.

REDUCTION

In the rates of premium for
FIRE INSURANCE.

THE Undersigned have (as already intimated in their Circular dated 14th October last) received authority from the Secretary of the Royal Insurance Company to reduce the rate of Premium under certain circumstances, on private residences and on Furnitures and effects therein contained.
In cases of Dwelling Houses removed from the town the rate of premium will be three-quarters per cent. in place of one per cent. per annum as hitherto charged, and in cases of Residences so situated, being detached or semi-detached the rate will be further reduced to one-half per cent.
The Royal's annual rates for Fire Insurance on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will therefore remain as follows until further notice, viz:—
Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from the town and their contents ... ½ per cent.
Other Dwelling Houses (similarly situated) and their contents ... ¾ per cent.
Offices and Godowns and their contents ... 1 per cent.
First Class China Houses and their contents ... 1½ per cent.
Other Risks by Special arrangement.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
tf 714 Hongkong, 9th November, 1868.

NOTICE.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 " ¾ "
Above 6 months, the full annual rate.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
tf 874 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

NOTICE.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 " ¾ "
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
tf 698 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses, removed from town, and their contents ... ½ per cent. per annum
Other Dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their contents, Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents ... ¾ "
GILMAN & Co.,
Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
tf 386 Hongkong, 10th March, 1865.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 " ¾ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
GILMAN & Co., *Agents,*
North British & Mercantile Insurance Company.
tf 696 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

UNION OF HAMBURG UNDERWRITERS

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents at Amoy for the Union of Hamburg Underwriters.
All documents to substantiate claims against these Underwriters must be certified by us, or they will not be recognised.
(Signed) ELLIS & Co.
tf 1562 Amoy, 8th August, 1868.

NOTICE.

QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—
Not exceeding 1 month ¼ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 " ½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 " ¾ "
Above 6 months the full annual rate.
MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,
Agents the Queen Insurance Company,
tf 954 Hongkong, 22nd May, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above CORPORATION are prepared to grant FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE on the usual terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 3023 Hongkong, 27th December, 1867.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

ESTABLISHED 1838.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

MANAGING AGENTS IN CHINA.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co
HONGKONG.
MEDICAL REFEREE,
IVOR MURRAY, Esq., M.D.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Managing Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept risks and issue Policies on Life Assurance.
For further particulars, forms of proposals &c., apply to
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
Managing Agents in China.
tf 1416 Hongkong, 15th June, 1867.

LONDON AND ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE OFFICE.
137, LEADENHALL-STREET, LONDON.
JAMES HARTLEY & Co.—*Managers.*
ESTABLISHED 1843.

THE Undersigned is authorised to accept risks on behalf of this Office, by First Class Steamers.
W. MACAULAY, *Agent.*
tf Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

HAMBURG BREMEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are now authorised to act as Agents for the above Company in Hongkong and at any of the open ports in China, to the increased amount of $50,000 on one Risk.
WM. PUSTAU & Co., *Agents,*
tf 2105 Hongkong, 7th November, 1868.

BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Policies gainst Sea Risks at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 1032 Hongkong, 1st April, 1865.

GEORGE GLASSE
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tf 2036 Hongkong, 3rd September, 1867.

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AND
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23, *Wellington Street*, HONGKONG.
tf 886 Hongkong, 11th May, 1868.

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THE Proprietor of WING-KEE Shop begs to inform the Public that his Shop has been established since 1856, *at Endicott's Lane*, and that he has always a great quantity of Best COAL in store for Sale. Gentlemen or Shipmasters wishing to patronise him, are requested to apply at his Shop.
tf 471 Hongkong, 6th March, 1868.

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamship
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will leave for the above place at noon TO-MORROW, the 9th instant.
W. MACAULAY, *Superintendent.*
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1869. [id 440

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamer
"SUW